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FURTHER SENSATIONAL EVIDENCE.

BIG PAYMENT BY JAPANESE ALLEGED.

DAUGHERTY IMPEACHMENT CHARGES RECALLED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Washington, March 14.

Mr. Gaston Means, former secret agent of the Department of Justice, gave sensational evidence before the Teapot Dome investigation committee. He testified that in February, 1922, in Washington he received from a Japanese representing a large Japanese firm one hundred thousand dollars to end the Government prosecution in the Standard Aircraft case. The witness said he turned the money over to the late Mr. Jess Smith, a friend of Mr. Daugherty. The witness described himself as a money carrier in the transaction for Mr. Smith and others.

He related that while he was making an "under cover" investigation, which he believed was at the late Mr. Harding's instance, he questioned Mr. Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury, in connection with permits for the withdrawals of liquors, "and got him." Mr. Means declared that he questioned Senators Caraway and La Follette after the latter had agitated for an investigation into the Teapot Dome case.

Mr. Means, who also admitted he had been employed as a German secret agent, and had been tried for murder, declared that he learned of the source of the hundred thousand dollars from Mr. Smith.

A member of the committee reminded his colleagues that the records of the Daugherty impeachment case contained an allegation that Mr. Daugherty had failed to prosecute the aircraft case, also that there was over-payment of six and a half million dollars made by the Government.

ROPE COMPANY.

THIS MORNING'S MEETING.

At an extraordinary general meeting of the Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd., held at the offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Co., this morning resolutions were adopted putting into effect the Company's decision to increase the capital from $600,000 to $2,000,000. The resolutions were:—

"1. That there be offered at par in the first instance to the members of the Company who on the 15th day of March 1924 are registered in the Company's Share Register as the holders of of the present issued share capital of the Company (viz. 150,000 shares of $10 each out of a nominal capital of 200,000 shares of $10 each) one new share for every complete number of three old shares held by them respectively and so that on acceptance of the offer the nominal amount of $10 due in respect of each of such new shares shall be payable as to the sum of $1.00 part thereof on acceptance of such offer and as to the balance thereof at such time or times as the General Managers of the Company shall see fit to make a call or calls in respect of the same. Provided nevertheless that at least three months' prior notice of any such call shall be given.

"2.—That such offer be made by notice specifying the number of shares to which the member is entitled and limiting a time within which the offer if not accepted by the member on behalf of himself or his nominee will be deemed to be declined and that the General Managers be at liberty to fix such time and (in the case of shareholders whose place of address is not in Hongkong) to extend it to such date or dates as they may think fit.

"3.—That no shareholder shall be entitled to any offer of a fraction of an additional share in respect of any odd share or shares held by such shareholder.

"4.—That until such time as the said new shares shall be fully paid up they shall *vis-a-vis* the said 150,000 old shares only rank for dividend in proportion to the ratio borne by the amount paid up thereon in respect of the nominal value thereof to the full nominal value ($10) thereof.

"5.—That any of the said shares which shall not be taken up by the Company's shareholders in manner aforesaid be disposed of in such manner at such time or times and upon such terms as the Company's General Managers shall in their absolute discretion think fit."

Mr. R. G. Shewan presided and there were also present the Hon. Mr. P. Holyoak, Mr. F. J. Tavares (Secretary) and Messrs. W. Adamson, H. H. Tayler, D. W. Munton, G. P. Lammert, A. A. Alves, B. C. Randall, Fung Tat Hang, A. A. Cordeiro, J. Toppin, Tong Hok-ting, D. Lopez A. H. M. da Silva, (shareholders).

The above resolutions were all proposed by the Chairman, being seconded by Messrs. G. P. Lammert, Fung Tat Hang, H. H. Tayler, B. C. Randall and A. A. Cordeiro respectively, and carried.

HAWAIIAN MELODY.

LAST NIGHT'S BIG SUCCESS

The Hawaiian Troubadours had a great reception at the Theatre Royal last night, when they gave their first performance in Hongkong. The audience thoroughly appreciated the complete mastery which each artiste had over his or her instrument and encored them time and time again.

Laylay Heywood in her dances appealed to the imagination, but it is difficult to individualise, the whole company being so excellent. The stage settings were extremely effective.

The programme was well arranged and diversified, and it is being changed for this evening's performance.

We understand that the Company will appear at Canton on Monday and Tuesday, will then go to Macao for Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and will return for a brief season at the Star Theatre, Kowloon on the following Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

CONSERVATIVE BILL DEFEATED.

Restriction on Trade Unions Sought.

London, March 14.

The House of Commons by 211 to 129 rejected the second reading of the Trade Union Act of 1913 Amendment Bill, providing that when a trade union passed a resolution in favour of political action the members desiring to contribute to the support of political objects shall indicate their desire in writing, and shall not as heretofore be automatically included as supporters unless they contract out.

Mr. Ainsworth (Conservative) moving the second reading said the object was to prevent trade unions insisting on their members paying contributions for political purposes in which they did not believe. He asserted that members seeking to contract out had been intimidated.

Mr. Tom Smith, moving the rejection, declared that the reason for the Bill was that the Conservatives were anxious with regard to the progress of the Labour Party. He denied the allegation of intimidation, and declared if the trade unionists, political activities be hampered they would be compelled to rely more on strikes.—*Reuter.*

KOWLOON FIRE.

CRACKER FACTORY OUTBREAK.

A fire which occurred at Mongkoktsui last night destroyed the whole of the ground floor and partially damaged the upper storeys of No. 166, Portland Street. The building, with five others, was used for the manufacture of fire crackers.

The outbreak, which commenced in the ground floor of No. 166, spread with alarming rapidity, but fortunately the Brigade were able to move up one of their engines installed in the sub-station nearby and dealt with the flames before they could make much headway. A series of small explosions occurred when the crackers became ignited but a plentiful supply of water from hoses kept the conflagration under control. The damage is unknown.

The building was occupied by the Hoy Sun Flash Cracker Factory, a concern which does a large business with the United States.

MORE TAXIS.

KOWLOON SERVICE COMING SOON.

We learn from Mr. A. H. Rowe, of the Hongkong and Kowloon Taxicab Company, that ten new taxicabs are being put on the roads here to-day, these being of a stronger type than those now operating. The new taxis will be able to climb up to Caine Road in second gear like any other car, a different gear ratio being employed to that of the cabs now in service. A further 20 cabs are now being uploaded and will soon be put into commission, whilst a still further 20 are on shipment and will be here within a month. This will make, altogether, 50 new taxicabs, and as there are 30 in operation already, Hongkong will soon be served by a fleet of 80 of these motor vehicles plying for hire. Licence numbers for these new taxis have been reserved and will range from Nos. 1250 to 1299.

Work is now in progress on the new garage for Kowloon, next to the Railway Station, and it is hoped to have taxicabs running in Kowloon in about two months' time.

THE "CHONGVA."

STILL HIGH AND DRY.

The Portuguese master of the s.s. Chongva, which is still stranded at Mo Fu Point, in the Hainan Straits, returned to the Colony a few days ago to report to the owners of the Company that the ship was still in an intact condition. The vessel is stranded high and dry on the flats and is being closely guarded by armed watchmen lent by the village near-by.

The Chongva being of Portuguese registry, Captain Pessanha has gone to Macao to hand in an official report of the mishap to the Macao Harbour Master.

Officials of the Company told a *Telegraph* representative yesterday that salvage operations on the stranded vessel may commence next month, when it is hoped the weather will be more propitious for this undertaking.

GOVERNMENT AND MINERS' WAGES.

London, March 14.

It is understood that the Government has decided to introduce its own Miners' Minimum Wage Bill at the end of the financial year.—*Reuter.*

GERMAN ELECTIONS.

Berlin, March 14.

President Ebert has fixed the Reichstag elections for May 4th. —*Reuter.*

A. S. WATSON AND CO.

A RECORD YEAR'S WORKING.

CAPITAL TO BE INCREASED.

The feature of the annual meeting of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd., which took place at the Hongkong Hotel this morning was the presentation of a record account and the declaration of a record dividend, as well as an announcement of the Company's intention to increase its capital.

Mr. Henry Humphreys presided, and other directors present were Sir Paul Chater, Mr. J. Scott Harston, and Mr. H. P. White, with Mr. J. H. Tarrant (secretary) in attendance and about fifteen shareholders. The secretary having read the notice convening the meeting, the chairman said:—

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

Gentlemen,—I propose with your permission to take the report and statement of accounts and auditors' report as read. I have again the satisfaction of presenting you with a record account and a record dividend. The increase of profit for the period under review amounts to $129,200.34 more than the profit for the previous twelve months. Of the above sum $61,834 has accrued from the sale of our Shakee and Stanley Street properties, which you will observe no longer figure in the accounts. The balance, viz. $67,366.34, represents increased trading profit, a condition of affairs which I think you will agree with me is a matter for mutual congratulation.

You will note that a new property features for the first time in our accounts, what we call the Honam Island site. This, when we have acquired the additional piece of land we are in treaty for, will measure some 21 mow. It is situated next to Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's property and has a considerable water frontage, the depth of water at low tide being sufficient to float coasting steamers. The intention is to remove our existing aerated water factory on the Shameen to this site. We originally intended to build a new factory on the Shameen and with that end in view, we purchased Shameen Lot No. 82 for $45,000, but the expansion of our Canton business has been such that we are convinced that the Shameen Lot will be too small for our requirements. No harm has been done, however, as property on the Shameen has appreciated since we bought and in the meantime—pending the construction of a new factory on Honam Island—our Shameen lot more than pays for itself, saving as it does much money in godown rent and fire insurance. We shall commence building operations on the new factory as soon as we have acquired the piece of extra land already alluded to, and plans and tenders are approved. They will entail the expenditure of not less than three lakhs, possibly more, and we therefore propose as from 1st November next to increase the capital of the Company from $900,000 to $1,200,000 by the issue of 30,000 shares at par in the proportion of one new share for three old. In view of the high price at which our shares now stand (a price which in my opinion is quite justified), this issue of new shares at par may be regarded in the light of a special bonus. Notice will be given in due course of an extraordinary general meeting to pass the necessary resolution.

I trust the appropriations to Reserve Fund, Staff Provident Fund and Chinese Staff Superannuation Fund meet with your approval. As regards the Staff Provident Fund, only those who have been subscribers one year or more prior to October 31st, 1923, will participate in the allocation.

The auditors have, subject to your confirmation, been granted an increased remuneration of $300 per annum between them. Our audit is a very long affair, and covers a period, from start to finish, of several months.

I have no further remarks to make, gentlemen, and now propose that the report and statement of accounts as presented be passed. When the motion is duly seconded, I shall be pleased to answer any questions shareholders may have to ask.

CONGRATULATIONS.

In seconding the report and accounts, Mr. C. B. Brooke congratulated the directors on their successful administration and the excellent results obtained. The year 1922 had been considered a record one for the Company, but it had been eclipsed by the past year. He referred to the specific evidence of the Company's progress.

In thanking him, Mr. Humphreys said it was not often that directors were the recipients of such kind remarks; as it was more usual for them to listen to hard words instead of kind words like those just uttered. He was sure the staff also would appreciate Mr. Brooke's remarks.

The report and accounts were unanimously adopted.

BUSINESS.

On the proposal of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. J.M. Alves, the following directors were re-elected:—Sir Paul Chater, Mr. J. Scott Harston, and Mr. H. P. White.

Messrs. C. Bernard Brown and H. Greenwood were re-elected auditors for the ensuing year, at a remuneration of $750 each, on the proposal of Mr. D. E. Clark seconded by Mr. G. A. Lawrence.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

PETROL UP.

BAD NEWS FOR LOCAL MOTORISTS.

Motorists will learn with interest, and, we think, displeasure, that the price of gasoline in Hongkong has again been raised. Intimation was given yesterday by the big importing concerns that the price has been raised by $1 for every eight gallons, making an addition of 12½ cents. per gallon.

The retail price charged by the larger garages up to yesterday was $3.70 per four gallon drum for non-members of the Automobile Association and $3.55 for members of the Association, the increase representing 13½ per cent. for non-members and just over 14 per cent. for members.

In conversation with a well-known garage proprietor this morning, a *Telegraph* representative was told that the increase has come as a great surprise. More gasoline is being used here than ever—a fact which should tend to decrease rather than increase the price. The price in Hongkong is high compared to what it is in other parts of the world, and motorists have a right to know why the price has been so greatly advanced.

DEATH OF CAPT. LEWINGDON.

THIRTY-FIVE YEARS IN FAR EAST.

A wide circle of friends in this part of the world will learn with regret of the death of Capt. Joseph S. Lewingdon, late of the s.s. Chung On, who has succumbed at Home three months after an operation for cancer in Charing Cross Hospital. Capt Lewingdon left Hongkong early in August last, owing to his ill-health, after 35 years in the Far East. At the time of his death he was 62 years old. He was well-known, and much liked, all up and down this coast. A keen Volunteer, he was for several years in the local Reserve Co. He leaves a widow at Home, and much sympathy will be extended to her in her loss.

AN INTERESTING INDUSTRY.

HONGKONG TIN REFINING.

(Special to the "Telegraph.")

High Street has nothing pretentious about it. Perhaps the majority of foreign residents in Hongkong don't know where it is. It is away down near West Point and it runs from Bonham Road on the east to Pokfulum Road on the west and intersects such well-known thoroughfares as Eastern Street, Centre Street and Western Street. To walk through High Street is to walk through a very ordinary kind of thoroughfare; there's nothing in particular to attract attention, save, perhaps, some vendors' stalls and open cooking places of varying savouriness. For the rest there appears to be just the usual kind of Chinese shops. But to walk through a few of those Chinese doorways and to witness what is going on behind is to realise that High Street not only plays a very unique part in the commercial life of this Colony but that tens, and even hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of valuable commercial metal is refined and stored in these seemingly mean little houses. Tell the average man that something like two million pounds sterling worth of tin is refined annually in Hongkong and you will tell him something that surprises; he will wonder where it comes from, where it goes and why he hasn't heard of it before. But there is quite a roman[illegible] little story to be told about Hongkong's tin exports, how they have risen in quantity and value and what the Government has done to assist.

WHERE IT COMES FROM.

Practically the whole of the unrefined tin which comes here is from the province of Yunnan. It comes down by rail from Yunnanfu to Haiphong and is thence brought by steamer to this port. At one time it was thought that it would be better to carry the metal by overland routes to Canton, but as these routes are unsafe, owing to their being infested with brigands, and owing to pack animals being expensive and difficult to obtain, the rail and sea route has been found to be the only one practicable. The maximum output of the Yunnan mines as at present organised is put at from 9,000 to 10,000 tons per annum and the average for recent years is said to have been from 8,000 to 9,000 tons.

The refining business in Hongkong is entirely in Chinese hands, firms of other nationalities only handling the tin after importation and refining. A few years ago one of the foreign firms tried to do its own refining but found that it could not do it so cheaply or so well as the Chinese. It is certainly true that the Chinese refineries, in High Street, contain no elaborate or expensive plant. A big cauldron is set in a hole in the floor, and under it is a furnace fed with large-sized firewood. Tin melts at a fairly low temperature, as is well-known, and the impurities and foreign substances find their way to the bottom of the cauldron the fluid metal on the top being of almost 100 per cent. fineness. The molten metal is poured into moulds and thus are made the slabs all ready for testing and export. The capital of a tin refiner so far as his working plant is concerned must be extremely low compared with the great value of the metal he is handling.

A CURIOUS PROCEDURE.—

Chinese are ever a suspicious people and the tin slabs for sale locally are treated in a curious way. When the refined metal is first poured into the moulds, it is not allowed to cool down in the ordinary way. By quickly chilling the sides by means of cold water, the sides contract so much quicker than the middle that a deep crack is made right down the centre of the slab, thus exposing to view the metal right down to the bottom. A "chop" or a stamp is not nearly so convincing to the Chinese merchant as a "look see" for himself.

UP TO SAMPLE.

It was only a few years ago that Hongkong refined tin was at a discount in the market owing to the fact that its standard of purity could not be relied upon and that the "chops" of the refineries offered no guarantee. American buyers—and it is to America that the bulk of our tin is sold—would scarcely have anything to do with it. Then the Government came along and, through the Government Analyst, began to test the refined tin and to issue certificates. During the war, when practically the whole of the local output was bought on behalf of the British Government for war purposes, every little bit of tin was tested before being sent away and from that time refiners have realised the value of the Government stamp on the slabs of refined metal. At the present day, the Hongkong Government stamp is accepted by buyers the world over and Hongkong refined tin finds a ready market.

The method of taking samples is also quite interesting. A core of the metal is drilled out of each slab and this core is tested in the Government Laboratory. A Government stamp is affixed to the slabs, but should the test result in proving that the tin is not up to the correct standard of purity, the Government stamps are erased and the whole block of slabs has to be refined again. A fee is charged for testing and out of this income is paid the cost of employing an official sampler and all the other expenses. The work of testing is done very expeditiously and little or no time is lost in getting a shipment away.

KONGMOON NEWS.

LATEST POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS.

(*Our Own Correspondent.*)

Kongmoon, March 14th.

The position as regards the bandits in the Sunwui district is none the better for all the measures hitherto taken by the Bureau of the United Volunteers. Of course, success at the present day is measured in terms of money, without which nothing can be accomplished. The Bureau has experienced much difficulty in the way of finance. Mr. Chiu Hon-chun, Director of the Bureau, has called a second meeting to be held on the 16th inst., and it is hoped that vigorous anti-bandit measures will be taken as a result of the meeting.

A few gun-boats have been despatched to Canton by the naval authorities here, and it is reported that they have something to do with the recent conflict between the Hunanese and Yunnanese troops in Canton.

It seems as though there were a conspiracy of silence about the local papers regarding the political situation in the southern part of the province. The large numbers of troops recently despatched from Kongmoon and other sources to Yeung and Yeungchun are an unmistakable indication that some important military development has been taking place down there.

General Lau Kwok-fun, Commander of the Military Vigilance Forces, who was ordered some time ago to go to Yanping to strengthen the defence there, has again been ordered to trans[illegible] his [illegible] further instructions.

Mr. Mui Kwong-pui, ex-Commissioner of Finance at Canton, arrived at Sunning on the 12th inst. He was escorted by a guard composed of Hunanese soldiers over 100 in number. He brought with him some rifles and ammunition which he had bought at Canton for Mr. Lau Choy-po, the Magistrate of Sunning, who welcomed Mr. Mui at the railway station and later entertained him in his yamen.

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VICTORIA DIOCESAN CONFERENCE.

RECEPTION TO VISITING BISHOPS.

The Bishop of Victoria, and members of the Victoria Diocesan Association, held an "At Home" at the City Hall yesterday afternoon, in honour of the Rt. Rev. Bishop F. R. Graves and Bishop F. L. Norris, of Shanghai and Peking, who arrived here *en route* to Canton to attend the synod of the *Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui*, of which organisation they are Chairman and Secretary respectively.

During the reception hours, 4.30 to 5.15, tea was served. The Band of the East Surrey Regiment was in attendance, and played pleasing selections at intervals. The reception was followed by a largely-attended meeting, those present including His Excellency the Governor, Sir Edward Stubbs, and Lady Stubbs; H. E. Major-General Sir John Fowler; Sir Chaud Severn, and the Hon. Mr H. E. Pollock.

His Lordship the Bishop of Victoria presided, and supporting him were a number of Bishops who are temporarily staying in Hongkong pending their visit to Canton to attend the Synod.

The Bishop, speaking, said: Your Excellency, Ladies and Gentlemen.—At the outset I desire to offer a very warm welcome in the name of you all to our visitors to-day.—To Bishop Graves and Bishop Norris and the other Bishops from China who are with us; and to the Bishops from beyond China; the Bishop of the Philippine Islands, the Bishop of Singapore and the Bishop of Labuan and Sarawak. In particular I desire to offer our warm welcome to Bishop Sing the first Chinese Bishop.

Regrets.

I much regret that The veteran Bishop of Western China, Dr. Cassells, is not able to attend the Synod. The province of Szechuan is in a very disturbed condition, and in a letter written last month the Bishop speaks of just having returned from a town where the house of the Lady missionaries and the general and the ladies mission hospital had been looted and the Chinese clergymen had had a terrible time. The bullets fired at them missed them, but they were searched and violently treated, and the Chinese clergyman was seriously wounded in the head by a bayonet, and by being struck with the butt-end of a rifle. You will remember that it was two of the clergy in Bishop Cassells' Diocese, Mr. Watts and Mr. Whiteside, who were murdered last August, and so the Bishop naturally feels he ought not to come away at the present time.

Bishop Holden of Kwangsi, Hunan, is also prevented from being with us on account of political disturbances.

There is another Bishop whose presence we shall miss at the Synod, namely Bishop C. P. Scott, the retired Bishop of North China, who still gives such valuable help in the Councils of our Church.

In all we hope to have with us fourteen Bishops at the Synod to be held at Canton next week, and Delegates from ten out of the eleven Dioceses of the *Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui*.

The Lesson of the Past.

The Synod to be held next week, like Hongkong itself, seems to me to be a living embodiment of all that can happen in less than eighty years. To see this island in 1842 and again to see it to-day is to realise what human purpose and industry can accomplish. In the same way to go back in thought to 1844, when Dr. Boone of the American Church was consecrated to be the first Bishop of the Anglican Communion in China; and to 1849, when Dr. George Smith was consecrated in Canterbury Cathedral to be the first Bishop of Victoria, with the oversight of all the work of the Church of England in China and Japan; and ask yourselves whether, in the moments of their most inspired imaginings, these two men could have dreamed that in the space of a single lifetime two National Churches could have come into being as a result of their labours and of those working with them—the *Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui* with eleven Dioceses, and the *Nippon Sei Ko Kwai* in the neighbouring country of Japan, with eight Dioceses and with two Japanese as Diocesan Bishops. Seventy-five years ago there were, besides Dr. Boone and Dr. George Smith, no other Bishops of our Church in the Far East.

The Future.

And as the Synod to be held next week is a living embodiment of what can be accomplished by high purpose and faith in the Living God in a single lifetime, so also it is a prophecy of that which shall surely be. To-day, it is true, the *Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui* is small in numbers, and amid all the conferences being held in the world its Synod may pass almost unchronicled and unobserved in the march of human affairs. But to the eye that sees, that small gathering to be held next week in Canton speaks of a day when the little one we see there before us shall have become a thousand, and is a pledge of the great Church of China that is to be, which shall make its worthy contribution within the great family of Churches.

In the work we are doing to-day in China we are building not for to-day, but for two hundred years hence, and for far beyond that.

The Victoria Diocesan Association.

And now for a moment or so I would turn your thoughts away from the Synod and from the Church of China that is to be, to this Diocese, and to the potentialities, not of the Synod meeting in Canton, but of this gathering meeting in this hall to-day. Three years ago in this hall we established, largely at the suggestion of Lady Severn, a Hongkong Branch of the Victoria Diocesan Association.

The idea of the association is that it should band together in one all who by their interest, their prayers, their gifts, and their services, are willing to help forward the work of this Diocese. During the three years that have elapsed a quiet steady work has being going on. There have been difficulties to be surmounted, but progress has been made, and chiefly along two lines.

In the first place the Association is proving to be a link between us here and our supporters at home. For instance, it is my privilege today to address this gathering held here in Hongkong under the auspices of the Victoria Diocesan Association. On June 17th I hope to address a similar gathering to be held at the Mansion House, London. And at this V.D.A. Reunion I hope to see not only many Hongkong friends who are at home but many friends who have never been to Hongkong, who are working for this Diocese. Similarly, Sir Chaud Severn who is to speak after me, was last year, the Chairman at this Reunion in London, and it was, I believe, the first public occasion at which he spoke after he had received the honour of knighthood. This year's Chairman is to be Sir Charles Addis, who has so many associations with China and Hongkong. In the second place, the V.D.A. is proving to be a link between the Colonial and Chinese work in this Diocese. At Xmas, gifts are sent to the poorer children in the Chinese Schools in the different parts of this Diocese. Hospital supplies are provided for our two hospitals at Pakhoi and Yunnanfu; and for the hospital at Kweilin in the neighbouring Diocese of Kwangsi, Hunan.

And grants of money are made. The principle we try to observe is that grants of money made to the Chinese Church by the Victoria Diocesan Association should be met by corresponding grants from the Chinese Finance Board, which was established two years ago, with Mr. Lam Woo as Treasurer, and Mr. J. M. Wong, J. P. as one of the Hon. Secretaries.

And here I should like to bear my testimony to the efficiency of the work of the Finance Board and of the generosity of the Chinese Church in this Diocese. My hope is that on my return from leave a Chinese section of the Victoria Diocesan Association may be established thereby providing a further link between the Chinese and the Colonial side of this work.

Quiet Consolidation.

During the past three years a process of quiet consolidation has been going on in respect to the Victoria Diocesan Association.

I trust that this year will be one of expansion, and that this meeting may mark the beginning of a steady advance both here and at home; and I ask all Hongkong residents here present who are not yet members of the Victoria Diocesan Association to read through the papers in their hands and to join the Association before they leave the hall to-day.

There is power in association. You can accomplish together what you cannot accomplish singly; the sum of your united efforts is far greater than the sum of your individual efforts. When I speak at the Mansion House next June and appeal for new members I should like to be able to tell them of the encouraging results of this meeting to-day. I hope the one meeting may be a challenge to the other. And I hope that these two meetings may mark a fresh stage in the development of the Victoria Diocesan Association, so that we shall go forward reinforced to enter in a few weeks time upon the seventy-fifth year of our story. And as I speak I am reminded of the words of the historian, J. R. Green. "The world is moved forward," he said, "not only by the gigantic thrusts of its few workers, but by every push of every honest worker whatever."

And now before I sit down I have to do two things,—first, to move the adoption of the Balance Sheet in your hands as already approved by Committee; and the election of the Committee and officers whose names appear on the printed paper. And secondly, to thank all those who have so generously given us their help,—to the authorities of the City Hall for the use of this building, to the Band of the East Surrey Regiment for their kind services; to Lady Severn and the secretary of the Victoria Diocesan Association for all their ready help; to Mrs. Wolfe and those who have been responsible for the tea; to Mrs. Lay as the leader of the Hospital Supply working party; to Mrs. Strahan as secretary for Hos-

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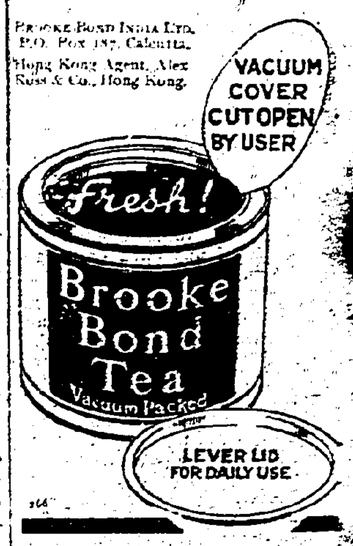

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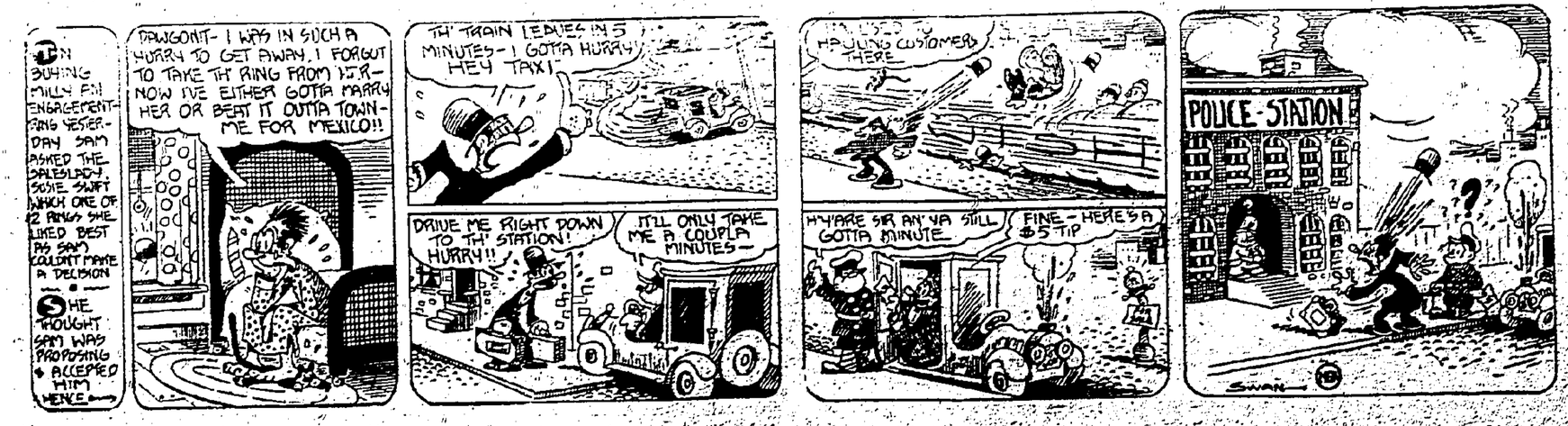

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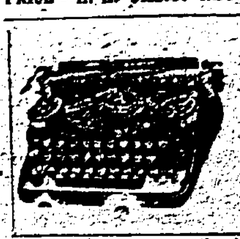

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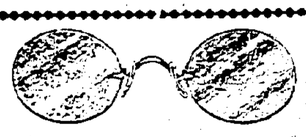

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VICTORIA DIOCESAN CONFERENCE.

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pital Supplies; to Mrs. Forster for contribution to the V. D. A. Stall at the Annual Sale for Overseas Missions at South Kensington; to the Organisers of the School Concert in aid of the work at Nanning; to Mrs. Wolfe and her helpers for organising the Christmas Gifts, and to the Hon Treasurer, Mr. Owen Hughes.

And now I will ask Sir Claud Severn, whose name has become a family word in the Far East, to speak.

More Funds Needed.

Sir Claud Severn said it was a great pleasure to him to be asked to speak on behalf of the Victoria Diocesan Association. When he reached England last year and received the request from the Committee of the Association to preside at their annual meeting he was very much handicapped in doing so because he was following two chairman, Sir John Jordan and Sir Charles Addis who, untrammelled by official restrictions and rules, were able to talk at large on any subject they desired. Sir Claud Severn referred to the large attendance to the meeting, among the gathering being well-wishers of the Association and friends formerly resident in Hongkong and elsewhere who found that this annual meeting was not only an opportunity of helping the Association but of renewing friendships which it would not have been possible to do if the meeting were not arranged.

Referring to the departure of the Chairman for Home, when he would preside or speak at this year's meeting of the Association, Sir Claud Severn stated that he could not help thinking that the Bishop required more help, financially, than what he had so far received. After examining the balance sheet, it appeared to him that the best way members could help the Association was to decide how much money they could afford to give to the Association every year, and, having made up their mind in regard to the amount, hand over their contributions, in instalments, if they desired. If members would do this, he had no doubt that the accounts would run into six figures instead of four as in the balance sheet. Giving effect to his suggestion, Sir Claud said he would take the lead, though he would not name the amount. The Bishop and his Council, he said, sometimes had special work that had to be done, and therefore it was necessary for him to have enough funds to make allocation for such work. Sir Claud quoted a recent instance in which $2,000 were required for certain work, and the Bishop had to consider various suggestions as to the wherewithal to raise that amount, such as by getting up a concert. This would be overcome by providing more funds. Sir Claud Severn said he had had a conversation with the Bishop of Singapore about the Singapore Association, at the formation of which 14 years ago he was privileged to be on the platform. Notwithstanding the vicissitudes of the foreign population of Malay the Association had continued to grow, though it had a temporary set-back in the dismal year of 1921. It was growing rapidly and not only had the annual income increased, but it had also formed a Pension Fund for workers of the diocese. The Hongkong Association could copy Singapore.

Bishops Graves and Norris also addressing the gathering, dealing with the Chang Hua Sheng Kung Hui. In the course of his remarks Bishop Norris said there were two things he would like to interest the meeting in, one of which was that a central theosophical school had been formed for the training of Chinese for the Holy Order. The School gathered in students from various dioceses, who would be trained for three years. At present they had the money to purchase a site in Nanking, but a suitable place could not be found. The other thing was the Chinese Church Mission; to which he referred in an article from his pen appearing in the local newspapers, some days ago. It was staffed by Chinese and supported with Chinese money. The small body of clergy had established a school at Shensi, which was the best in that province, and was supporting students at various Universities in in China who, after they graduated, would do missionary work.

The pronouncement of the blessing and the playing of the National Anthem by the Band brought the meeting to an end.

Annual Report of V. D. A.

The following was the report of the Victoria Diocesan Association:

During the winter months a hospital supplies work party has met in the Cathedal Hall each Monday morning. Christmas gifts for poorer children and for those in hospital were collected and dispatched to various centres in the diocese. Gifts of grass lawn were sent home for the V.D.A. stall at Kensington. Grants have been made to the value of $4,283.08 for various objects in the diocese. A combined schools' concert was given at the City Hall in aid of the work at Nanning. Study circles for men and women were held during Lent and Advent.

The accounts show a credit balance of $1,776.95.

The following were elected office-bearers for 1924:

THE FENGTAI AFFAIR.

RETRIAL OF CHEN DEMANDED.

Peking, Mar. 14.—The *Far Eastern Times* says that the British Foreign Office yesterday instructed the Legation to demand a re-trial of Colonel Chen Kuoh-sien, commanding the soldiers who attacked Mr. Bessel at Fengtai, stating that the British refused to recognise the court-martial proceeding, since no British observer was present. Accordingly, the Legation sent a note to the Waichiaopu asking for trial of Chen at an early date, and two British observers must be allowed to attend.

It has been no secret for some time that at the so-called court-martial held on Chen, at Taku, when no witnesses for the prosecution were called, Chen was sentenced to twenty-eight days and cashiered, while the soldier on whom the blame of the actual assault was placed was given two years separate trial. Peking understands that a report of these trials has been sent Home, for instructions regarding the attitude which the Legation should take.

The French Minister yesterday sent a Note to the Waichiaopu warning China not to forget that other Powers possessed interests in the Chinese Eastern Railway if she is making a settlement thereon with the Russians.—*Reuter.*

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE MINERS' OPINION.

London, March 14.

The Miners' Conference have decided that the owners' terms are inadequate and inacceptable. It is urged that the Government pass a Miners' Minimum Wage Bill.

The Miners' Conference in London have decided to refer the owners' terms to the districts, and to delegate a Conference to meet again on the 26th, to arrive at a decision.—*Reuter.*

Later.

It is officially stated that it will be open to the districts to consider the owners' terms in the interval before March 26th, if desired, but as far as the Conference is concerned, there was no official reference back to the districts, as it decided the terms were inadequate.

The adjournment of the Conference till March 26th, is for the purpose of seeing what can done meanwhile to secure an improved wage for miners by legislation; and if the Minimum Wage Bill, which will come up for discussion on the 21st, is not proceeded with, or is defeated, there is little doubt that the delegates on the 26th, will decide to take a ballot of the coal-fields with regard to a national strike, after the present agreement expires on April 17th.—*Reuter.*

CHINA'S CUSTOMS DUTIES.

London, March 14.

The *Times*, referring to the Chinese Government's present request to the Legations of the Powers signatory to the Nine-Power Treaty for a preliminary conference to discuss matters relating to the 2½% increase in Customs duties, suggests that the opportunity might be taken by the Press at Home as to the need for settlement of the claims of the Vickers-Marconi loan note-holders, on which the interest is in default, and the question of redemption, which will shortly arise.—*Reuter.*

GERMANY'S RECOVERY.

Berlin, March 14.

A remarkable economic recovery, since the stabilisation of the currency, is disclosed by the Chancellor stating that only 130,000 short time labourers are unoccupied in Germany, compared with nearly two millions in November. The unemployed have been recently decreased by 300,000.—*Reuter.*

OIL SCANDAL.

San Francisco, March 14.

Curtis W. Wilbur, Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court, announces that he has accepted the Secretaryship of the Navy in succession to Mr. Denby.—*Reuter's American Service.*

THE ORDUNA.

New York, March 14.

A party of Federal officials spent two hours on the Orduna last night, breaking seals of the store-rooms, and liquor bars, but they found no contraband.—*Reuter's American Service.*

THE WONDERS OF WIRELESS.

New York, March 14.

The newspaper *New York American* says that its wireless reports it has picked up a popular song from London.—*Reuter's American Service.*

COURSING.

Liverpool, March 14.

In the Waterloo Cup Final, Cushey Job beat Whitechapel. The betting was 3 to 1 against the winner.—*Reuter.*

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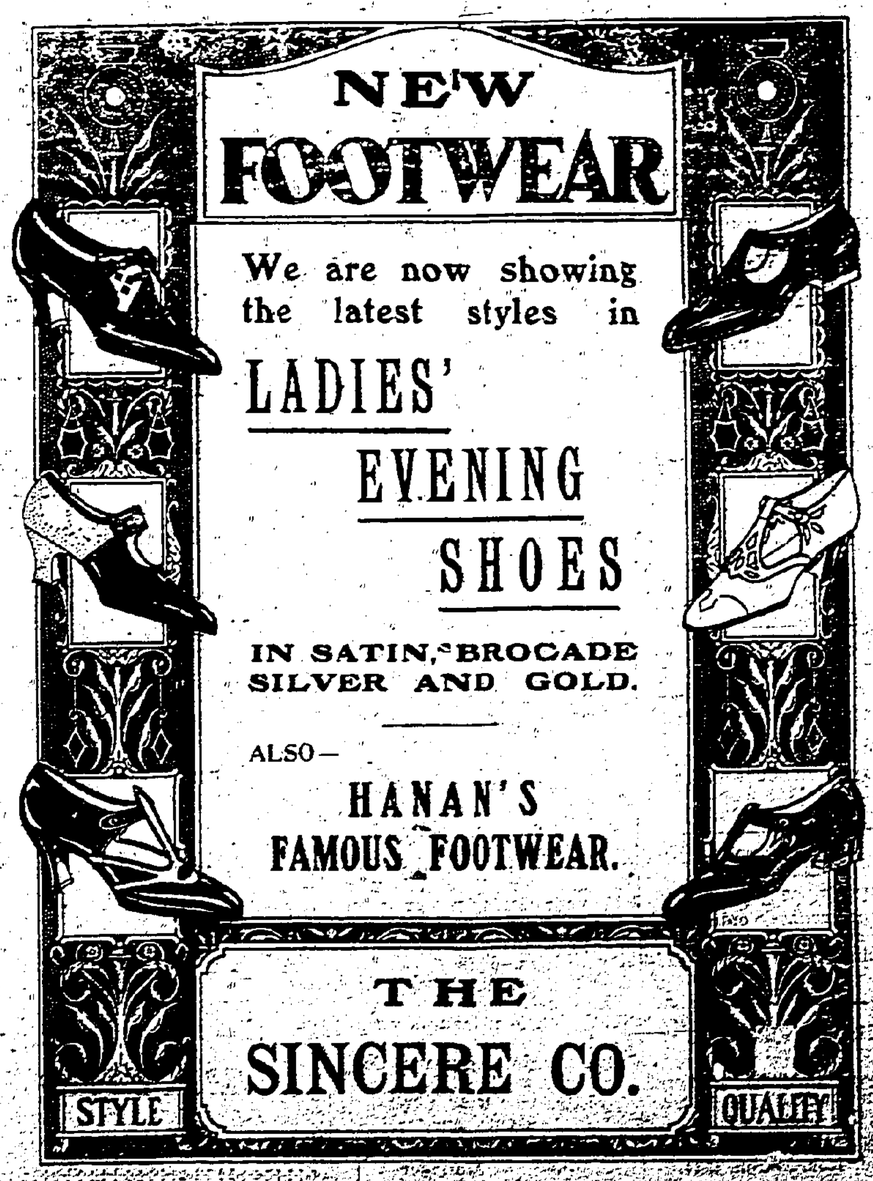

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NOTICE.

THE thirty-eight yearly general meeting of the members of the Hongkong Club will be held in the Club House on Tuesday, the 25th. March, 1924, at 5.30 p.m.

By Order,
T. A. ROBERTSON,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th. March, 1924.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

AN extraordinary general meeting of the members of the Hongkong Club, called in pursuance of a requisition by more than 20 resident members, will be held in the Club House on Tuesday, the 25th. March, 1924, immediately after the yearly general meeting.

Business:—

As set forth in the notice posted in the Hall of the Club.

By order,
T. A. ROBERTSON,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th. March, 1924.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong & Shanghai Hotels, Limited, will be held at The Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 22nd. March, 1924, at 11.30 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the Board of Directors for the year ended the 31st. December 1923, confirming the appointment of Directors, and re-electing a Director, and the Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from Friday the 14th March 1924 until Saturday the 22nd March 1924, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PERCY H. SUCKLING,
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Hongkong, 6th March 1924.

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Entry forms may be had from the undersigned.

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B. L. FROST,
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HONGKONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Hongkong Automobile Association will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., on MONDAY, the 17th. March, 1924, at 5.30 p.m. to pass the accounts for the year ending 31st. December 1923 and to elect Officers, etc.

By Order,
P. M. HODGSON,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th. March, 1924.

HONGKONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE.

A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Hongkong Automobile Association will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., on MONDAY, the 17th. March 1924, at 5.45 p.m. to consider and if thought fit to pass the following Re-olution:—

"The following Rule shall be substituted for Rule No. 8 of the Rules and Constitution of the Hongkong Automobile Association.—

8. Each Member shall on election pay an entrance fee of $5 and subscription of $10 per annum in the case of owners of Cars and $5 in in the case of owners of Motor Cycles only."

By Order
P. M. HODGSON,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, March 10th. 1924.

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NOTICE.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, 2 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong on Thursday, the 20th. March 1924, at noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st. December 1923.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 8th to the 20th March 1924 (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors.

F. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 4th March 1924.

HONGKONG ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE OF CALL.

Issue of 95,000 Shares of the Nominal Value of $10 each ($7.50 paid up.)

NOTICE is hereby given that the Final Call of $2.50 per Share on each of the 95,000 Shares allotted on the 8th. day of November, 1922, has been made by the Company, and that such call will be payable to the Company's Bankers, The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, in Hongkong, on the 15th. day of March 1924.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 8th to 15th March, both days inclusive.

For and on behalf of the Hongkong Engineering and Construction Co., Ltd.,
S. COURTNEY COOK,
Secretary.

Dated this 22nd day of Feb. 1924.

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By order of the Board of Directors,

JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 19th. Feb. 1924.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that Mr. LAI HIN MAN the Owner of THE KOWLOON HOTEL, Kowloon has as from the First day of March, 1924, leased THE KOWLOON HOTEL with all the Furnitures and etc. therein to Mr. FRANK LEWIS COOKE upon Terms mutually agreed.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE Fifty-fifth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Thursday, the 27th March 1924, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st. December 1923.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 13th to the 27th March 1924, both days inclusive.

JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Managers.

H.K. Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY LIMITED.

THE Ordinary General Meeting of the above Company will be held at the Company's Offices 20, Des Vœux Road Central on Saturday 29th of March 1924 at 11 a.m.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 15th of March to 29th of March both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.
General Managers.

Hongkong, 8th. March 1924.

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.

INTENDING Competitors are reminded that Entries for the Annual Lawn Tennis Tournment will close on Monday March 17th.

S. E. GREEN,
Hon. Secretary.

NOTICE.

THE Fourth Annual Dinner of Queen's College Old Boys' Association will take place on Saturday, 15th March at 8 p.m. in the Hall of Queen's College. Members are requested to send in their subscription before 12th instant. The minimum charge is $3—.

Members intending to invite guests are requested to notify Mr. C. Choa, Asia Banking Corporation, or the undersigned.

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The Telegraph

HONGKONG, 15th March, 1924.

RADIO REQUIREMENTS.

The proposals set out in the Radio Communication Company's scheme, as published by us yesterday, have the endorsement of the local Chamber of Commerce, and have been before the Government for nearly seven weeks. We may presume, therefore, that the wireless expert whom the authorities specially engaged a few months ago will by now have had an opportunity of considering each of the points raised and advising the Government of their practicability or otherwise. The scheme drawn up by the Company covers in a very clear manner the varying needs of the Colony in radio matters, and it is to be hoped that there will not be much further delay before some definite policy be adopted by the Government. The equipping of police launches and stations with wireless telephones as a means of strengthening the measures to combat crime, is already afoot, and, as we announced some time ago, similar installations are contemplated for lighthouses in this area. Later, should the authorities eventually agree to have wireless installed on all river steamers, another of the suggestions will have been adopted. Incidentally, the Chamber of Commerce proposal as to training of reliable Chinese as radio operators is worth careful consideration. Of considerable commercial advantage, again, will be the maintaining of direct wireless communication with Manila, Singapore, Shanghai, and intermediate points. Sooner or later a service of this kind will become inevitable. So we expect all these changes will come in time.

It is when considering the subject of broadcasting, and the incidental installation of a widespread scheme of radio telephony, that we fancy we have arrived at the stumbling block to the Government. The use of wireless telephones in local offices might reasonably be held over to a more advanced stage of our radio innovations, but the matter of broadcasting is one that requires early consideration. The large number of enthusiastic amateurs who have installed receiving sets are beginning to feel that they are being neglected. They counted on early fulfilment of promises made some months ago. We think it is high time the Government decided what it means to do about granting a general broadcasting licence to some approved applicant; and it is time it instituted a definite system of licencing of listeners-in. If the Government finds it an embarrassment to decide which of several applicants for sole broadcasting privileges has the best title, it might at least make an early pronouncement on the subject of approved sets, else there will be further cause for embarrassment—for those who might be stocking or installing apparatus which it will afterwards be considered does not meet with requirements.

Pratas Shoal.

There is general agreement that a wireless and meteorological observing station on the Pratas Shoal would be of the utmost use to shipping on the China Coast because of the typhoon warnings which it could send out from a point which is relatively near this Colony. Yesterday we published some interesting matter on this subject which was contained in the annual report of the local Chamber of Commerce. There is, however, in that body's voluminous book much further reference to the matter, including one very lengthy letter from the Chamber which gives a most pointed illustration of how long it takes to get things done where China is concerned. It is there revealed that so long ago as 1909 the Chinese Government agreed to erect such a station, the then Viceroy of the Two Kwangs being instructed "at once to make the necessary arrangements." Two years later, the Peking Government telegraphically instructed the Viceroy to complete the purchase of the wireless apparatus without delay and proceed with its erection. There the matter still rests to-day. The Pratas Shoal has no more wireless plant on it than a billiard ball has hairs. Admittedly the Revolution and a few other little disturbances have intervened since the project was first mooted, but the fact remains that things are just as they were in 1909. The Hongkong Government is even prepared to foot the bill in this matter; yet nothing is done. Still, we live in hope. Let us pray that we may not die in despair.

"The Cup."

The tussle for possession of the English Football Cup now rests with four First Division teams. As a result of the fourth round replays, the South has no further direct interest in the issue, for Cardiff, the League leaders, and Swindon have both been disposed of. It is interesting to note that none of the semi-finalists occupy very high positions in the League table, Aston Villa (who have to meet Burnley) being nearer the top than any of the other three, in the eighth position. The other semi-finalists are Manchester City and Newcastle United. All four teams have, during the past twenty-four years, figured in the final at one time or another. The Villa have during that period won on three occasions—in 1905, 1913 and 1920. The other three teams have each won once—Manchester City in 1904, Newcastle United in 1909 and Burnley in 1914. Newcastle has the most finals to its credit since 1900, for besides the win already mentioned, the United were seen in the finals of 1905, 1906 and 1911 as well, but without success. The question now is whether there is any likelihood of history repeating itself by the Villa and Newcastle being the last two teams in, as in 1905, when the former had a two-to-nil victory. We should say that this is by no means improbable. But, then, there is always a glorious uncertainty about "the Cup."

TIME AND BIG BEN.

The broadcasting of time should be useful. Arrangements have been made by which Greenwich mean time signals will be relayed each day at 3.30 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. and on Sundays at 10 p.m., says a London paper. The British Broadcasting Company will also broadcast the chimes of Big Ben probably at 7 p.m. and the conclusion of the evening programme, and 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Sundays.

DAY BY DAY.

IF WE DESIRE TO JUDGE JUSTLY, WE MUST PERSUADE OURSELVES THAT NONE OF US IS WITHOUT SIN.—*Seneca.*

Pistol practice for civilians at Scandal Point is discontinued until further notice.

The Criminal Sessions is to hold its next sitting on the 19th instant.

The new Yaumati Magistracy is to be opened on April 14th. Mr. E. W. Hamilton will be in charge.

Lieut.-Col. W. B. Roberts, D.S.O., (24th Bombay Grenadiers) has been granted leave of absence for the purpose of proceeding to the United Kingdom.

The *Gazette* notifies the deletion of St. Stephen's Girls' School from the list of schools to which the provisions of the Education Ordinance, 1923, shall not apply.

The following Officers qualified at the examination in Colloquial Urdu held at Hongkong on 10th March:—Lieut. J. H. Smith, M.C., R.G.A.; Lieut. R. C. Cobbold, R.G.A.; Lieut. H. C. Gould R.G.A.

Chuna Fuk, of Pun U, and Ho Cheung, of Canton, were each fined $1 by the Harbour Master (Lieut. Commdr Conway Hake) this morning for obstructing the pier by mooring their boats too close in.

After writing off $41,000 for depreciation out of the profits of the half-year ended 31st December, 1923, the Douglas s.s. Co., Ltd., propose to pay a dividend of 6% for that period and transfer $10,776 to the Reserve Fund.

We regret that owing to a machine-room mishap, pictures of the wedding of Lieut.-Col. W. N. Nicholson and Miss Higgs have been damaged. Consequently, they appear in a very limited number of copies of to-day's issue.

It is notified that at the expiration of three months, the Hongkong Wai Man Saving and Investment Association Limited will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the register and the company will be dissolved.

To the list of medical practitioners there has been added the name of Dr. Kim Chong-voon, 3, Woodland Terrace, Hongkong, who holds a Licence in Medicine and Surgery of the King Edward VII College of Medicine, Singapore.

The public is notified that on application to the Director of Public Works, free permits will be granted to deposit building debris at certain positions on the Praya East Reclamation. Such debris shall be composed of brick bats, broken tiles, stones, etc. free from extraneous or offensive matter.

The following have been taken on the strength of the China Command:—R.A.M.C.—Major R. R. Lewis and wife; R.A.O.C.—Captain (and A.C.O.) T. R. Davies, wife and daughter; R.A.P.C.—Lieut.-Colonel J. R. Bacchus and wife; 1st Bn. East Surrey Regiment—Wife and 2 children of Lieut. E. J. Cooper.

Notice is given that the Governer proposes to make an order under the Streets (Alteration) Ordinance, 1923, for the closing to public traffic of Wuhu Street from Dock Street to the Western boundary of Hung Hom Inland Lot No. 256; Bulkeley Street from Dock Street to the West boundary of Hung Hom Inland Lot No. 256 and the scavenging lane between Wuhu and Bulkeley Streets from Dock Street to the West boundary of Hung Hom Inland Lot No. 256.

Despite the inclement weather, there was keen rivalry at the St. Paul's College sports at Happy Valley yesterday. The invitation relay race open to the Colleges of the Colony was won by St. Joseph's, with St. Stephen's second. The senior champion was Chan Kwong-iu, whilst Wong Man-chi was junior champion. The challenge team race was won by St. Paul's Old Boys. At the close, Mrs. S. W. Tso presented the prizes and was presented with a bouquet.

Bulls and Inners

From the Office Butts.

There is no truth in the story that the Hon. Mr. Lowe intends shortly to publish a treatise on economics in which will be included the saying of famous North Country financiers.

A short while ago we had "The Gilded Rose" on the screen. We now have the spectacle of the Guilded mariners on the warpath.

"It is a gross offence to put water in milk," said a London magistrate the other day. It is a grocer offence to put cabbage leaves in tea.

If there is any truth in the saying "The good die young", why do we meet so many venerable-looking Bishops?

This week's dish:—Grilled Steamboats.

Not to put too fine a point upon it, is the payment of blackmail ever justified?

Annotated programmes, like morning newspapers, are mostly read afterwards, if at all.

A local parson told the Diocesan Conference that he wanted a more religious atmosphere in the Cathedral than, say, in Ice House Street. This really hurts us, seeing as how we live there ourselves.

Papanastasiou has formed the new Greek Cabinet. He will, we presume, be able to father the Ministry.

The midnight "Star" ferry is now known as the "Hennessy Special."

When people refer to "dry statistics" they are not thinking of the heiroglyphics in the book at the Club.

Spring is here. Dr Sun is ordering more machinery for the Arsenal at Shekcheng.

A young Englishman advertising for a room states that good plain food would be a recommendation. It would be more. It would be a miracle.

We read the other day of a woman of 57 who is a remarkably fine swimmer. All the same, she'll find it hard to get her picture in the papers.

Some Hongkong girls can't either sing or play the piano. Maybe that's why they've so many admirers.

"Can a Woman Love Twice?" asks a picture advert. Some of them have been known to manage two at once.

"Oil v. Coal" says a newspaper heading. We prefer electricity ourselves, which is somewhat on a par with the idea that a water famine need have no terrors so long as there is beer to be had.

"Riffs again active," says a headline. They are supported by their ancient allies, the Raffs, presumably.

The pirates are asking, amongst other things, for "Morley" brand singlets. Messrs. Morley should respond by marketing a pirated model.

Somebody should give them socks, anyway.

There is a deal of severe criticism for the recently-published French Yellow Book. Those yellow books always did make auntie blush.

There seem to be a lot of gushers spouting about this oil lease business.

Latest reports from the States say that you can get more mileage out of chewing-gum than candy.

Some of these F.T.S. (Fellow of the Telephone Society) seem to have got the wrong connection.

Kowloon pedestrians are shedding no tears over the seven buses burnt the other day.

The Republicans want more elbow-room in Greece. They might progress if they used more elbow-grease.

A local bookseller has just unpacked "Anna Christie." We alway thought she was a bit of baggage.

The contemporary which said Labour would be able to carry as big a navvy as the country needed evidently realised the strength of the present Government.

The House of Lords has resolved that taxation on betting is desirable and practical. That lots our Jockey Club out.

A correspondent belatedly draws our attention to the report that local race ponies were recently knocked down under the hammer. S. P. C. A. please note!

Overheard last week when a newly-arrived wife went shopping: "Wing On, swe t maid."

The eternal triangle is found in all circles.

Many a man who regards the mule as the most obstinate creature, changes his mind when he gets married.

It is said that this is the busy season for poets. Even poets have their idyll moments, however.

The news caption "Russo-Polish Friction" suggests a brighter position than actually exists. Perhaps there is too much grit in the Polish.

We understand that there is a lot of low-lying land in the Colony which low, lying speculators want to sell at a high value.

We should like to place on record our appreciation to the department responsible for the regular appearance of the tar boiler 'neath our office windows. The pitch is well chosen and needs to be re-tarred, but that does not retard us from advancing our somewhat tardy thanks.

The worst of a disaster in Utah is the number of widows it creates.

If these pedestal hydrants were a little higher, they'd make fine elbow rests while waiting on a car.

The easiest way to tell a new building is by the rent of a flat.

When folks spring the "think of a number" game, 03066 ought to be a safe basis for commencing operations.

A gentleman in Manila wishes to change his name from Oh Gioc because it is similar to that of a bandit in the same territory. May we suggest Oh Mac?

Most young couples getting married think more of the presents than the future.

A brain is no stronger than its weakest think.

The former editor of the *Canton Times* who has opened a vaccination office ought to bring things to a head now.

The motor boat going cheap isn't always going good.

From a local contemporary:—"This is no canting syruppy attempt at praise.....No honeyed words are needed to state facts". If we didn't believe in the milk of human kindness we should say this was putting the jam on a bit thick.

Saltpetre and sulphur aren't by any means a matchless combination.

The pull up Wyndham Street does wind 'em.

Iron Bux lost at Singapore last Saturday. A large numbers of other bucks were lost also.

Marrying off the Prince of Wales and getting rid of Dr. Sun seem to be the two hardest newspaper jobs just now.

If a man sits and dreams and whistles, he's a loafer. If he omits the whistling, he's a contractor's foreman.

CHARGES AGAINST "ORDUNA."

Owners Deny All Allegations.

New York, March 14.

Five members of the crew of the Orduna, tried on a charge of of smuggling liquor and narcotics, pleaded guilty, and were remanded for sentence until Wednesday. Two other members of the crew who had previously admitted their guilt were also remanded.

Mr. Clark, the Assistant District Attorney, asserts that the Orduna has been used ever since the passing of the Prohibition Act as a vehicle for smuggled liquor. He claims that she has carried a hundred thousand dollars worth of contraband into New York. Officials of the Royal Mail line, however, declare that any violation of the laws, if committed, was without the knowledge of responsible officers, and deny all the charges.—*Reuter.*

New York, March 14.

Mr. Berwind, the well-known American coalowner, has furnished a million dollar bond enabling the Orduna to sail to-morrow, according to schedule. A Washington message says the British Embassy has furnished the Foreign Office with a report on the Orduna case and will take no further steps unless instructed from London.—*Reuter.*

HONGKONG IMPORTS.

MARKETS STILL QUIET.

The fortnightly Price Current and Market Report published by the Hongkong General Chamber or Commerce, states:

Piece goods.—The market has been very inactive as regards new business although clearances have not fallen off to any extent. Dealers are holding on in the hope of lower prices at home.

Fancy goods.—The volume of enquiry is maintained, but transactions put through are limited, and only become possible where concessions can be obtained from makers. Prices have not changed in the interval, and the tone of the market is firm.

Cotton Yarn.—Since our last report a limited business has been put through and prices have further declined $6.8 per bale. Dealers are only buying for the immediate requirements. Quotations are—No. 10s $229-235, No. 12s $230-235, No. 16s, $235-245, No. 20s, $239-250. Arrivals 2,000 bales. Shipments nil. Sales 500 bales. Unsold 10,150 bales. Bargains 1,000 bales.

Woollens.—The market remains quiet, dealers having already bought their requirements for next season.

Raw Cottons.—No sales to report and quotations are purely nominal. Indian descriptions at $43.58. Chinese staple $45-60.

Metals.—Market quiet and steady.

Flour Market Report.—Stock: 1,300,000. Market: Quiet. Quotations: American Patent, $2.55 per sack; American Straight, $2.50 to $2.75 per sack; American Cutoff, $2.85 per sack; Australian No. 1, $2.87 per sack; Canadian Clear $2.65 per sack.

Sugar.—Market weak. Prices declining.

Saltpetre.—Stocks 9,000 bags. Very dull market since last report.

DAY BY DAY.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. M. J. Breen to be Postmaster General.

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His Excellency the Governor has appointed Police Lance-Sergeant Phillips to be a Sanitary Inspector for Stanley.

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His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. R. E. Lindsell to act as a Police Magistrate, until further notice.

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His Excellency the Governor has, under instructions received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, appointed Dr. J. B. Addison, M.B.E., to be Principal Civil Medical Officer.

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The *Gazette* contains revised regulations by the Governor-in-Council relating to Police Force pensions, as well as regulations by the C.S.P. in regard to punishments for offences by members of the Force.

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Observatory returns show that during February the average mean temperature was 60.3, the highest being 74.6 and the lowest 49.2. There were 44.9 hours of sunshine and 4.51 inches of rain. The average humidity was 86.

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Children, whose opinion is always spontaneous and therefore entirely free from prejudice, are the cinema's most acute critics. Accordingly, any picture that pleases the youngsters may be relied upon to please the grown-ups also. Such a picture is "The Darling of New York," now showing at the Coronet Theatre. Everything that delights the heart is to be found in this picture—comedy, mystery, pathos, romance, thrill. But perhaps its greatest appeal lies in the acting, for the principal part is played by little Baby Peggy, who makes her debut as a feature star.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

The Director of Medical Services reports a progressive deterioration in the health of British troops in India since 1914. Up to that year there had been a steady improvement, due to the very close and successful study of the various causes of sickness. The new deterioration is ascribed to the outbreak of war when the medical staff and seasoned troops were drafted out of India and replaced by fresh troops from England with medical officers inexperienced in combating tropical diseases. Recently, however, with a return to normal conditions, the health figures show an improvement which is expected to be progressive.

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Though Norway has decided to abolish her prohibition laws, it is to be hoped she will not alter her method of dealing with habitual drunkards, observes the London *Morning Post*. Her way of dealing with inebriates is the "most effective in the world." When brought to the "home," they have nothing but wine given to them to drink. What food they are allowed is flavoured or even dipped in wine, and the first day passes serenely enough. But when, day by day, nothing but wine is set before them to drink, and nothing but wine-flavoured food to eat, they begin to sicken, and long before the end of a week even the greatest inebriates are cured!

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After an absence from London of nearly two years the D'Oyly Carte Opera Company was to be seen there again at the beginning of February Mr. Rupert D'Oyly Carte stated that a season of Gilbert and Sullivan operas was to start at the Princes Theatre on February 4, and continue until Saturday, May 24. During this period of twelve weeks all the operas that were played at the last London seaon at the Princes Theatre two years ago will be given, among them Ruddigore, which was revived with such success last time. The first opera to be performed will be Iolanthe. The season, according to present arrangements, will end with a fortnight devoted to The Yeomen of the Guard. Since the end of the last season at the Princes Theatre the company has been on tour in the country, and the operas seem to remain as popular as ever.

THE HUMAN ZOO

A LITTLE GIRL WHO KEPT ON PLAYING.

CHINA AND THE SOVIET.

A PRACTICAL SETTLEMENT

Peking, March 14.—The Chinese press have published a preliminary draft of the Sino-Russian agreement, which has not been brought up-to-date, and has been the subject of subsequent negotiations between Dr. C. T. Wang and Karakhan. This morning it was discussed in the Cabinet, whereafter it is to be referred to Tsao Kun.

There is reason to believe, however, that the following main points are still substantially correct.

After the agreement has been signed, a formal Sino-Russian conference will be opened within a month, and all outstanding problems will be settled. In three months the Tsarist treaties will be declared null and void, and new treaties will be drawn up in the spirit of 1919-1920. In the Russian declarations Russia recognises the absolute Chinese sovereignty of Outer Mongolia, and will remove the Russian forces from there, whilst the two nations recognise the fact that propaganda against each other should not be indulged.—*Reuter.*

Peking, Mar. 14.—The boundaries and navigation questions will be discussed later. As regards the Chinese Eastern Railway, the following considerations will be observed: firstly, Russia and China are to agree that the railway will be undertaken by them absolutely as a commercial enterprise; and excepting railway business, all affairs involving sovereignty in China, or local government, should be controlled by the Chinese authorities.

Secondly, Russia agrees that China may redeem the Chinese Eastern Railway with Chinese capital. Thirdly, all estimates of price, conditions, and procedure are to be fixed by a formal conference. Fourthly, Russia will be responsible for the payment due from Russian shareholders of the railway, in the period prior to the Russian Revolution.—*Reuter.*

Recognition Expected.

Peking, March 14.—Last night's scheduled round table conference at the Presidency failed to materialise, owing to Dr. C. T. Wang's detention at a prolonged interview with M. Karakhan, when differences of opinion regarding phraseology, also the withdrawal of Russian troops from Mongolia, and the treatment of "White" Russians in Chinese territory were composed.

The Cabinet held an extraordinary meeting at the Premier's residence this morning, and it is understood that all known difficulties are solved, and that the Premier, Dr. Wellington Koo, and Dr. C. T. Wang will proceed to the President's quarters to obtain his approval.

Chinese circles opine that recognition will be announced at almost any hour.

Russia's Grants.

Russia relinquishes the right to own concessions in China, also remits the Boxer Indemnity, providing the funds will be used exclusively for educational purposes. Russia also agrees to the abolition of Russian Consular jurisdiction in China.

A preliminary agreement will be enforced immediately, signed by responsible authorities for the contracting parties.—*Reuter.*

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TREASURE TROVE.

True Story of Modern Search.

We all love stories of buried treasure and there is a splendid one in *Chambers's Journal*—"The Biggest Treasure Hunt of the Age," by Mrs. Deecker—with the added merit of being true.

The Grosvenor belonged to old John Company and was wrecked off the Pondoland coast in 1782, having on board precious stones valued at £517,000, gold bars valued at £420,000, and specie to the tune of £717,000. But this was not all: after quoting these figures the official documents add "as well as the savings of the crew." It was rumoured that she also had on board the two world-famed golden peacocks taken from the Diwan-i-Am, or Hall of Public Audiences at Delhi. These peacocks stood behind the peacock throne and were inlaid with sapphires, rubies, pearls, and other precious stones. The Grosvenor was wrecked after days of storm which prevented observations being taken. The majority of those on board were got ashore and the captain decided to attempt to march them overland to the nearest Dutch settlement. About 100 started but only some 16 appear to have survived the terrible journey.

The British Admiralty attempted salvage within a year of the wreck.

Fully to realise the difficulties the coast must be seen—rugged, forbidding, with the mighty combers of the Indian Ocean ever lastingly thundering inwards and dashing themselves to pieces on the cruel and relentless rocks. Had the ship lain farther out, away from the rocks, salving operations by diving would perhaps have been possible but lying as she is, only about 90 feet from land, it has proved to be an impossible job. She is fixed between rocks, practically immovable, kept firmly in her cradle by the sand which settled over her and made it impossible for her to break up.

STILL INTACT.

The Admiralty expedition gave up, as did many subsequent expeditions and the ship still lies intact. An attempt made between 1905-7 succeeded in recovering 15 guns and numerous coins, but during spell after spell of bad weather Mother Ocean covered up the work done with fresh sand the syndicate having spent all its money gave up. One can only rely on two months' fine weather out of the twelve. Another attempt is at present being made by the Grosvenor Bullion Syndicate, Johannesburg, floated in 1921, and it differs from all previous attempts in that diving has been abandoned in favour of tunnelling out to the ship from the shore. A tunnel 450 feet long is being driven through solid rock to the gully, in which the Grosvenor lies.

The gully in which the ship lies is so narrow that when the tunnellers are through the rock they may find themselves at once against the hull. When that stage is reached what an anticipatory thrill will be experienced, not only by the daring adventurers beneath the sea, but by all far and near who have followed the course of the quest. The time is now rapidly drawing near when the climax will be reached of one of the most enterprising, ingenious, and promising undertaking for snatching from the sea some of its long hidden spoils. The fortunes of the Syndicate are rapidly reaching an absorbingly interesting stage. Never even in the early days of the Rand, when one and all were rushing to make fortunes, has so much interest been shown in any venture as is being evinced in this last bold attack on the Grosvenor to solve once for all the mystery of what she has in her hold. Let us wish the Syndicate luck, but peacocks are notoriously unlucky birds.

SENSATIONAL LAW-SUIT.

Conservative Party Funds.

The *Sunday Express* states that Messrs. Maxwell, Hicks and Company, chartered accountants, who are the Conservative Party's accountants have begun proceeding in the courts claiming a large sum from the estate of the late Lord Farquahar, the former treasurer of the Conservative Party's funds.

The newspaper says that when Lord Farquahar, in January 1923, refused to allow Lord Younger, who was the head of the Conservative organisation, to take any share of the funds under his control, he still made large payments to Mr. Lloyd George's party, though by that time the Georgites had gone over to the Opposition.

It was, therefore, inconsistent to refuse Lord Younger's demand on the ground that the money belonged to the Coalition Party. When Lord Farquahar died, the remainder of this fund was still in his hands. He estimated the estate to be £500,000.

If Messrs. Hicks and Company's claim succeeds, Lord Farquahar's legatees would find their shares in the estate greatly reduced, including Princess Arthur of Connaught's and the Earl of Macduff's £100,000 each and Lord Carnegie's £50,000.

Proceedings were begun by originating summons in the Chancery Division, for the administration of the estate on behalf of all creditors. The *Sunday Express* states that if the case is thrashed out in the courts it may involve revelations regarding subscribers and subscriptions to the Party funds.

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CAMERA NEWS.

Part of the journey of the late Brigadier-General Pereira and Dr. H. Gordon Thompson lay through the watershed of the Mekong and two other great rivers, which rise within an area of 90 miles. This wonderful picture of the gorges on the Mekong River shows the nature of the country through which the two explorers had to pass in their endeavour to throw light on the huge unexplored territories on the Tibetan frontier.

Mr. Bernard Hoff and Mrs. Justine Kolin, American missionaries who were recently held by bandits at Laoyan, North China.

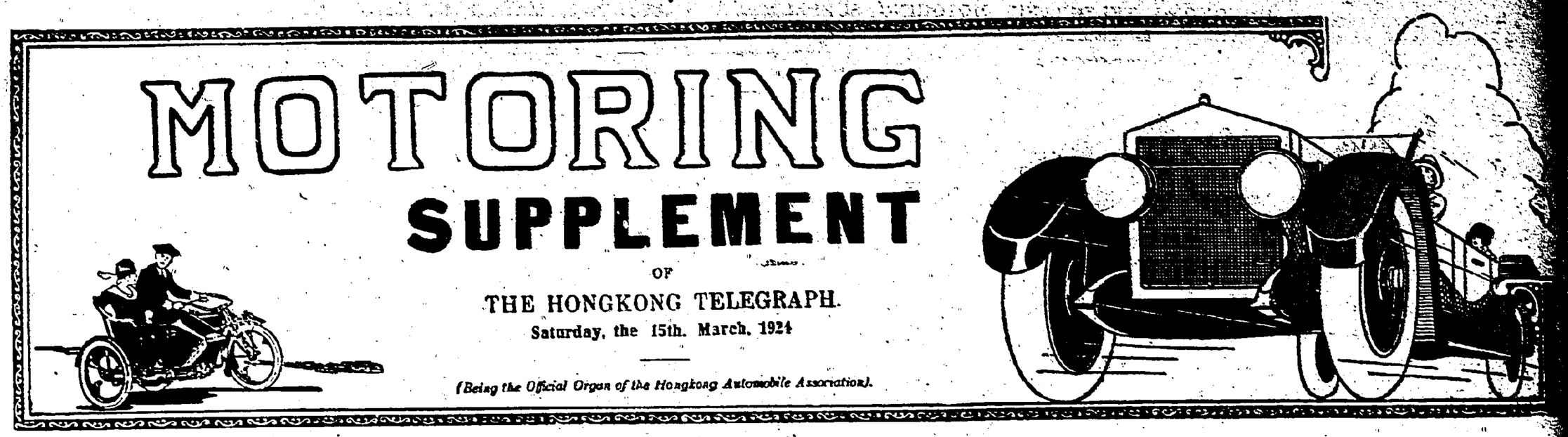
Officials and players of the Hongkong Football Club (Soccer section). Mr. R. J. Wilton (President) being fourth figure (right to left) in front row. Photo: Ming Yuen.

Staff of the Electrical Department of the Naval Yard. Mr. H. A. Nott, M.B.E., who is shortly going Home, is centre figure of middle row. (Photo: Mee Cheung.)

Mr. D. O. de Silva, of Hongkong, as honorary Chief of Taveuni Island, Fiji, where he is known as "Ratu Ravilera."

CARICARTOONS

Specially drawn by Will Farrow.



LOCAL MOTOR NOTES & NEWS

The attention of motorists is drawn to the fact that the annual general meeting of the Hongkong Automobile Association is to be held on Monday next, 17th instant, at 5.30 p.m., to be followed by a special general meeting of members to consider the desirability of increasing the annual membership fee to $10 for owners of cars. It is not proposed to increase the subscription for motor cycle owners, which will remain at $5 per annum.

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The circular letter addressed to members states that the Committee is of opinion that usefulness of the Association cannot be increased without further funds. It is desired to provide certain facilities for motorists, such as permanent shelters for cars and cycles at such resorts as Castle Peak and Stanley Bay, where there is excellent bathing to be had. This would be undoubtedly a great boom to members.

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We understand that it is the intention of the Association to form a sub-branch to look after the interests of motor cyclists, of whom there are now many in the Colony. This should prove welcome news to the cycling fraternity, who will no doubt appreciate the desire that they should be brought into closer contact as a body, and we are hoping that when this scheme is put through there will be a substantial addition to the Association's membership list.

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Motoring has grown considerably in the Colony within the last twelve months, and it is certainly up to members to give financial assistance to the Association if new new facilities are desired. Members should also endeavour to get every car or cycle owner who is not already a member to join the Association—the more members, the greater will be the facilities and privileges. Only by making the Association thoroughly representative can it become the useful organisation which it ought to be.

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By the departure of Mr. D. L. King, local manager of the Dunlop Rubber Company, who went on Home leave on Thursday, Hongkong loses one of its keenest motorists. Mr. King, during his stay here, has taken the utmost interest in all motoring matters, and he will be remembered as a most capable official in the motor trials last year. His many friends will wish him a thoroughly enjoyable holiday. As Dunlop's representative here, Mr. S. G. Hayes, from Shanghai, succeeds Mr. King, and he will at all times be pleased to give motorists sound advice on tyre matters. The Company's office is at Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Company's building.

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Many local residents have taken advantage of the offer of the "Arrol-Johnston" and "Galloway" car manufacturers, whereby they are able to purchase their car through the local agents (the Hongkong Hotel Motor Dept.) and have it awaiting them upon arrival in England. When the time comes to return to Hongkong, the machine is handed over to the factory again, where it is thoroughly overhauled, and, if necessary, fitted with new gears suitable for the Colony. The convenience of this arrangement is obvious, eliminating, as it does, the worry connected with the purchase upon arrival at Home, and saving time which so quickly passes when given over to the pleasure of holiday-making.

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The "Empire" model—the latest product of the Arrol-Johnston factory—is proving a very popular car, both at Home and abroad. It is of 20 h.p. R.A.C. rating and embodies all the familiar characteristics of design and construction found in the Arrol-Johnston products. In addition, many noteworthy improvements have been incorporated which make for still more efficient mechanical performance, with increased driving and riding ease.

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This week we publish photographs of the "Thornycroft" type "W" chassis which is the first of its kind and tonnage imported into the Colony. This model has been specially designed for loads up to six tons, and gives a loading area of 17ft. 8in. by 7ft. 0in., and is of special interest to contractors and others needing vehicles for the quick transport of heavy loads.

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Being the product of such a world renowned firm of engineering experts as Messrs. John I. Thornycroft & Co., Ltd., it is only to be expected that efficiency and perfection would be found in every detail of such a vehicle. The engine, which develops 40 h.p., runs with the silence of a high class touring car, while the steering gear, fitted as it is with ball bearings and ball thrusts, enables the driver to manoeuvre with the utmost ease. A large lock provided also makes manipulation in confined spaces quite simple. Twin tyres are fitted to the rear wheels, giving an actual road contact of 13½ inches.

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This particular chassis has been imported by the Motor Dept. of the Hongkong Hotel, to the order of the Wing Nam Motor Trucking Company, who already have three "B.T." 2½ ton "Thornycroft" trucks in operation here.

TOWING BAR.

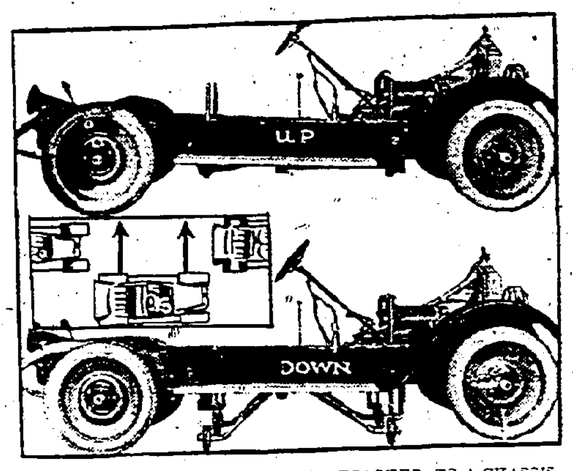
A two by four timber of hard wood with holes drilled at each end for attaching the towrope forms an excellent towing bar and has an advantage over the towing rope in that it keeps both cars properly spaced and in the case of sudden stops as are often made in congested traffic, avoids the danger of a rear end collision.

FORD.

One in every 662 Americans now is on the payroll of Henry Ford. He has about 163,000 employes. Making allowances for children, housewives and old people, not more than 30 million Americans actually work for wages or salaries or profits. And, of these, Henry Ford employes about one in every 200.

EASIER PARKING OF CARS.

New Hydraulic Jack Explained.



HYDRAULIC PARKING JACK ATTACHED TO A CHASSIS. ABOVE, WHEN IT IS UP; BELOW, WHEN DOWN AND READY FOR USE.

Soon we shall observe large motor cars sidling easily and quickly into parking spaces only as long as the cars themselves, if the invention of Mr. Victor P. Williams, of Baltimore, is adopted generally.

No more toiling back and forth to get into a space slightly longer than the car, if the new appliance is attached.

It consists of a four-wheel hydraulic jacking device, which lifts the car from the street three inches in a few seconds. The whole affair is attached permanently to the chassis and geared up with the transmission, so that the engine itself lets down the jack, lifts the car and then moves it sideways into the opening. By its use, space is saved, and considerable wear and tear on the tires eliminated.

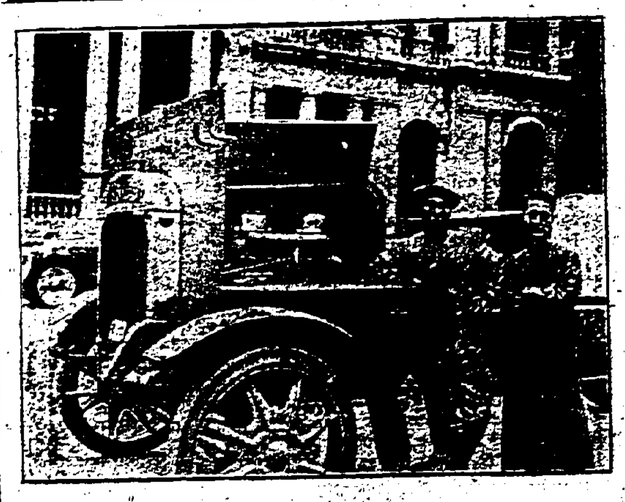
The framework of the hydraulic jack weighs less than 100 pounds and its installation, if done on a quantity basis, would be no more than $100 (gold) per car, claims the inventor.

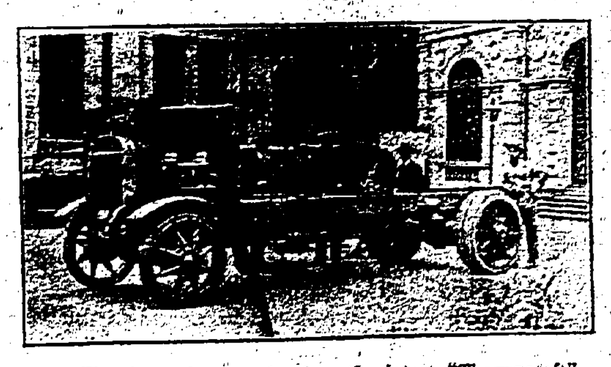
A lever, similar to the speed control operates the brake. Both levers have to be in neutral before one can be operated. Thus any liability of accident, or clashing of both controls is avoided.

The inventor a graduate mechanical engineer from a French school has worked on this device for the last eight years and triumphed only last November, when he got his patent.

The new jack is being demonstrated on a Moon chassis, while motor engineers connected with other large manufacturing firms are considering its adoption as a permanent feature on their product.

A MOTOR "DREADNOUGHT."





The above photographs show the latest "Thornycroft" type "W" chassis imported by the Motor Dept. of the Hongkong Hotel to the order of the Wing Nam Motor Trucking Company. Although when loaded, this monster weighs just over ten tons, it can be handled with the greatest of ease. (Photos by Ming Yuen.)

MODERN BRAKES AND SAFETY.

A Foolish Fallacy.

A good deal of nonsense is talked, and a fair amount written, about imagined dangers due to the use of four wheel brakes whilst the bulk of cars are still equipped with the less efficient type, says Capt. E. de Normanville, who continues :—

As it is a free country I have no right to complain, but it is at least unfortunate that such nonsense should find its way into point where the pen behind the print should know better.

To say, that because a driver can stop in half the distance possible to another driver he will therefore so act, is just as brainless as to say that because Jones's car can travel twice as fast as Smith's Jones will so drive.

THE PERSONAL ELEMENT.

Such deductionists deserve a comfortable niche in the Home for Motor Minds Madly Meandering—to be carefully tucked up until further notice.

There is, of course, no difference between giving extra braking efficiency and giving extra speed ability in relation to the personal element which has complete control over each.

The efficient or non-efficient working of each is entirely dependent upon the efficiency or inefficiently of the man at the wheel. If he abuses the one he can be a menace to the general road safety. If he abuse the other—improved braking efficiency—he can also be a menace to the general road safety, though in a lesser degree.

But why in the name of all the gods of Petroldom should it be assumed that the man who does abuse his speed capacity should abuse his braking capacity? I never heard such drivel—and am truly sorry to have seen it printed in places where knowledge nearer to sanity could reasonably be expected.

EVERYDAY CONDITIONS.

If any driver of any ordinarily brake-efficient car abused the power of his brakes, he would be a menace to all other road traffic in his immediate neighbourhood.

Suppose a stream of cars all running at 25 m.p.h., with a few yards between each—a normal everyday circumstance. If one of the drivers in the middle of that line suddenly applied his brakes fully, he would cause havoc—whether he had two brakes or 22 brakes.

But in normal circumstances he does not do it. Why? Simply because he is sane. For a driver who did do it, without rhyme or reason, we should immediately demand the attention of a mental specialist.

No; braking efficiency is used and must always be used, in the same basic circumstances as speed efficiency—under the personal judgment of the driver, who, in normal circumstances must be assumed sane. So let us hear no more of this drivel.

BRITISH CARS ABROAD.

Apparently the motor car export trade of Great Britain is not so bad as some people think, provided that the right goods are offered at the right price. As a case in point, the Austin Seven car is now being used in Australia, South Africa, India, Ceylon, New Zealand, Egypt, Malta, Mauritius, Fiji Islands, Sarawak, China, Austria, Hungary, Germany, the Argentine, Federated Malay States, Spain, Portugal, West Africa, Dutch E. Indies, Japan, Holland, Denmark—and the Land of Ur!

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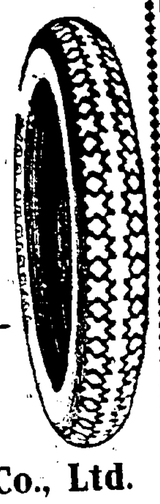

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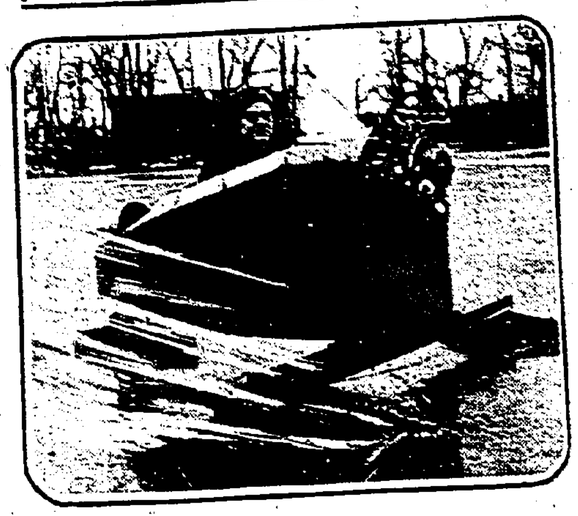

The day of the motorized ice sled is here, and this particular one, built by Mr. J. E. Morehouse at McCook Field, Dayton, makes a speed of fifty miles an hour over frozen waters.

PRODUCER GAS AS MOTOR FUEL.

EXHIBIT AT BRITISH EMPIRE EXHIBITION.

A forthcoming exhibit in the Palace of Engineering at the British Empire Exhibition, which should prove of great interest to all who are concerned with road transport in the Overseas Empire, is that of the Parker gas producer plant for motor vehicles. While on most other grounds the internal-combustion engined vehicle is usually preferred to the steam vehicle, it must be acknowledged that the latter, in addition to its admirable qualities of durability and reliability, generally has the immense advantage of being able to utilise cheap fuels locally available. Now, if a practical gas-producer plant can be applied to an ordinary petrol vehicle, the result is that a fuel such as wood charcoal can be used, which, generally speaking, is obtainable very cheaply just in those districts where petrol is most expensive. A 100-mile test of a 3-4 ton lorry, conducted by an independent and expert authority, showed that in the distance named, when running on petrol, the fuel consumption was 13 gallons. The same lorry with the Parker plant ran the same distance on 158 lbs. of charcoal. Now even if we put the price of petrol at the moderate figure of 2 - a gallon and charcoal at the high price of £4 a ton, the result is a saving of over £1 on one hundred miles or nearly twopence-halfpenny a mile on the fuel bill. In Overseas up-country districts petrol may cost as much as 6 - a gallon, while wood charcoal may be available at, say, £1 a ton. In this case the saving in favour of the latter is something more than ninepence a mile. It is easy enough for the prospective user to make his own comparative estimates on the basis of the local costs of petrol and of charcoal.

The Parker apparatus costs about £150 complete. It can be readily applied to an existing vehicle by any local engineer. It consists essentially of three appliances; namely, the gas producer, the dust extractor and gas cooler, and the gas scrubber. In connection with the producer there is a hand blower and an air valve. The producer is placed alongside the dash, the air valve being within reach of the driver. The dust extractor is situated amidships and the scrubber crosswise behind the back axle. The hopper of the producer carries enough fuel for about thirty miles, and additional bags of fuel can be carried alongside the driver. The water consumption is small and the necessary supply for the day can be contained in what used to function as a petrol tank. It is stated that the cost of maintenance of the plant is very low. Its weight is less than 450 lbs. and it does not occupy any space which would otherwise be available for the carriage of useful load. The plant has been successfully applied to vehicles sent Overseas to the instructions of the Crown Agents for the Colonies and is being used with good results in many countries including Africa, India, Australia, New Zealand and Japan. It is understood that a Parker plant thoroughly suitable for using coke as well as charcoal is likely to be available at an early date.

MOTOR CYCLE RACES.

MORE WINS FOR FIRESTONES.

Following are the results of the motor cycle races at the opening meet of the new Ascot 5/8 mile motor speedway at Los Angeles, Sunday, January 20:—

Ascot Helmet 1 lap (5/8 mile): time 37.2/5 seconds.—1, Gene Walker (Indian, Firestone tyres), 2, Ralph Hepburn (Harley, Firestone tyres); 3, Ray Weishaar (Harley, Firestone tyres).

Alhambra Derby - 10 laps (6.1/4 miles): time, 5 min. 54.2/5 seconds.—1, Gene Walker (Indian, Firestone tyres); 2, Ralph Hepburn (Harley, Firestone tyres); 3, Ray Weishear (Harley, Firestone tyres).

Los Angles Sweepstakes.—15 laps (9.3/8 miles): time 9 min. 26.2/5 seconds.—1, Ray Weishaar (Harley, Firestone tyres); 2, Robert Sarkegian (Harley, Firestone tyres) 3, Everett Bresee (Indian, Firestone tyres).

It will be voted that in each event every money-winning position was won on Firestone Motor-Cycle Gum-Dipped Cord Tyres.

MOTOR TRUCK TYRES.

A NEW DEVELOPMENT.

The United States Tyre Company has announced the new Royal Cord pneumatic truck-bus tyre. The new tyre, in addition to embodying in a truck tyre for the first time the famous Royal Cord tread design, also utilizes web cord and sprayed rubber, two of the revolutionary discoveries in tyre manufacture recently announced by the United States Rubber Company.

In discussing the new tyre, the officials of the Company do not hesitate to claim that it represents a long step forward in the manufacture of tyres for commercial vehicles. The present announcement is interesting because of the sweeping nature of the changes announced.

The Royal Cord tread design, used for years on the quality passenger car tyre at the head of the United States line, has been adapted to the new truck tyre, slight modifications having been made to meet the greater exactions of heavy work. The Royal Cord tread design has long been considered the most scientifically designed non-skid design on the market, a feature of especial interest to bus operators.

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The carcass of the new type is made of web cord, the new type of tyre fabric developed in the laboratories of the United States Rubber Company. Each cord in the carcass is given a bath in rubber latex, pure virgin rubber in the liquid form in which it comes from the rubber trees in the Far East.

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The tread and other substantial rubber parts of the new tyre are made of sprayed rubber, another product of the Company's laboratories. Sprayed rubber has been hailed in the rubber world as the toughest and most uniform rubber ever produced for commercial purposes.

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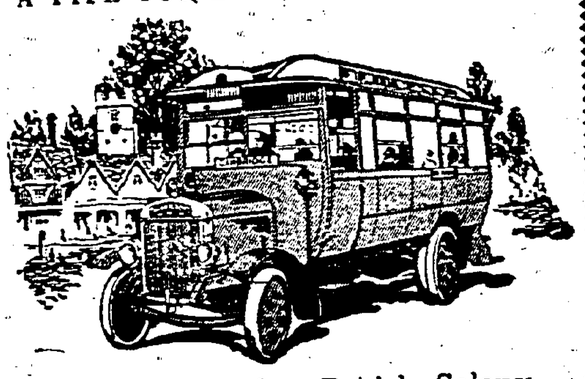

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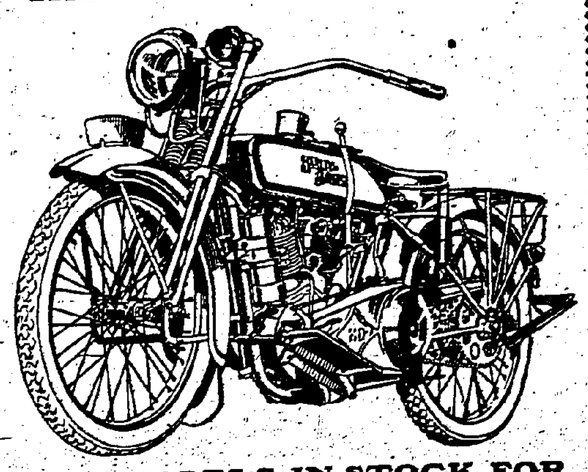

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SMOOTH ROADS.

Value of Motor Cars.

America would have comparatively few good roads if it were not for the motor car.

Since about 1900, when a few automobile companies started to pioneer the new era more miles of good roads have been built than in all the previous history of the United States.

While each little community was quite isolated and self-centred, except for the railroad, telegraph and mails, there was no great need for good roads. Poor dirt roads sufficed when the travel was limited to horsedrawn vehicles.

But the standard of highway conditions was suddenly and tremendously elevated when time and distance were conquered by the motorcar.

OBSTACLES OVERCOME.

The localized life and narrow interests that had previously persisted for generations were rapidly overcome.

Need for more and better roads to accommodate the marvelous new means of transportation was quickly tanslated into action by each community.

Highways improved, construction and greater permanence reached out in all directions from every local centre of population, to tie up with the great outside world that at last had been opened up by the auto.

Greetings between drivers of plodding wagons between nearby farms or towns were replaced by the hasty nods of fleeting motorists between more distant points.

The poor roads of the old days were used only as actually necessary by residents of the same or adjoining townships and counties. But the better roads gradually extended across whole States, till now a well-organized national highway system knits all the States into one great nation, in fact, as well as name.

The stupendous total of over $742,000,000 was expended on highways by Federal, State and county governments in the year 1922 alone! Auto tourist camps which were undreamed of institutions a few years ago, now have overnight populations of hundreds and even thousands of people since the motor car and resulting good roads have mastered distance and given people time to enjoy the wonders and beauties of the great outdoors in comfort and luxry.

TRAVEL FACILITATED.

Maine greets California daily in many other States of the Union over smooth paved highway that the auto has brought within the last two decades.

Over 350,000 miles of improved highways now bind America into really one nation. Just how few miles of good roads there would be, if the automobile had not been invented, is a problem beyond exact calculation.

SOME NEW USES FOR RUBBER.

Being Tested for Wheels and Roads.

The coming generation may see cobblestones, wood, wire or disc wheels, and fabric tyres in museums only, says a current writer.

On his way to view these "relics," the motorist of the future may be riding over ruberized roads, on balloon tyres and rubber-spoked wheels.

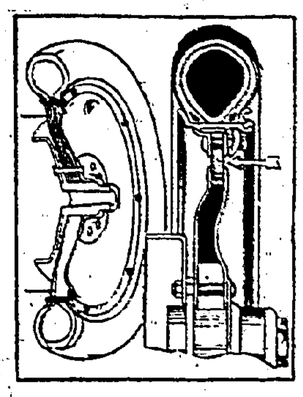
For this is what the rubber interests of Akron city are planning today.

Balloon tyres are known, new as they are at present. They are being introduced this year on several automobiles, and expect to be generally accepted soon, with perfection of their design and manufacture. But rubber streets and rubber wheels? It sounds ridiculous. However, these already are actual facts.

PAVEMENT TESTS.

The city of Akron, for example, has been asked to "appropriate" a street, for pavement by one of the large rubber manufacturers with some rubberized concoction to be tested for road wear and tear. This is all that is made known of ideas for future highways. It is based on an attempt to find some substance that will help make riding easier and more economical for the motorist.

Rubber pavement, it is argued, might even solve the skidding problem. For, contrary to expected supposition, rubber takes a firm hold against rubber. During wet weather, only the first film of rain would be dangerous, because of the underlying grease that is brought to the surface. But as soon as that grease is washed off, no amount of rain could make a rubber pavement skiddy.



CROSS-SECTION OF TWO FORMS OF RUBBER WHEELS.

TWO WHEELS OUT.

Further than this, nothing is as yet revealed about rubber pavement. But work is going along that line.

Rubber wheels are an actuality. Two manufacturers already have announced production of such wheels for motor cars.

Mr. Frank A. Seiberling, well-known tire man of this city, comes forth with a combination rubber and wood wheel—the forerunner of what may be expected in later years.

Seiberling's product consists of a structural backbone of thin, porus wood and rubber plies amalgamated and interjoined into one unit. The concavity of the wheel, in addition to the flexing property of the rubber wood material, is said to assure a marked resiliency for the wheel. Besides, there is allowance of one and one-half inches for distortion under load or shock, without structural injury.

ADVANTAGES.

The need of shock absorbing devices is practically elminated, say the designers, and the wheel affords additional cushionimin sought in balloon tries.

A similar idea is used in a wheel produced by a Newport News corporation. In this, however, the rubber is not interjoined with thin strips of wood, but it is separately placed between the rim and the discs proper. Thus the shock is supposed to be taken up by this ring of laminated rubber just within the removable rim.

Cushioning effect is said to be the result.

AMERICAN FIGURES SURPRISE GERMANS.

Manufacturers of automobiles in Mannheim, Germany, are greatly interested in American reports that one firm alone is planning to extend its plant so as to be able to turn out 10,000 cars each day. It is estimated by automobile manufacturers in Mannheim that the two largest plants in Germany, one of which is in Mannheim, combined produce about 15,000 cars annually. These cars sell for about $4,000 each.

CARE OF TUBES.

Precautions which Ensure Long Service.

In these days of high tyre mileages the need for care is not so pronounced as it used to be, says a writer in a Home paper. But there is no reason why economy should not still be studied, and the demand of a correspondent for tips on the care of tubes proves that the subject still appeals.

With the tube and the spare tubes, it is very generally a case of "out of sight out of mind," and it is more or less obvious that such treatment or lack of treatment is not the way to obtain the best service or the longest life.

Most small car drivers nowadays are content with one spare tyre and tube complete, and on big cars this measure of tyre insurance is generally doubled. But there are still many who carry a separate spare tube; it's a wonderful protection from punctures.

HOW TO FOLD A TUBE.

And very frequently that spare tube is folded up "any old way," tied with a piece of string, and left to blush unseen in the recesses of an oily tool box, with spanners to the right of it, spare parts to the left of it, and jacks and kindred impediments volleying and thundering.

Leave your spare tube like that, and it will leak as pronouncedly as an income tax assailed bank balance. The spare tube should be carefully folded and kept in a rubber-proofed bag, well supplied with French chalk.

How many of you can fold a tyre tube up properly? As I'm sure a good many of you cannot here's how!

First get your tube! Remove the valve, fold the tube in half, with the valve stem on the outside at one end, roll up from the opposite end, so as to expel the air and while rolled up reassemble the valve and screw it up tight—so that air does not get in again.

Now unroll and lay the flattened tube out with the valve, still outside, in the centre. Fold the ends inwards to the valve; fold again and slip a tape or stout rubber band over to keep the folds in position. Sleasy—till you try, and then it's sometimes found difficult.

IN CASE OF PUNCTURE.

In storing the tube, see that it is so placed that it is not subjected to chafing action. If you want to be thoroughly economical, take it out once in three months for an airing—inside and out.

Unfold it, inflate it till it gets "nice and fat"—about as fat as its normal shape when in use—and replace it as before detailed. This reduces the tendency of the rubber to perish at the folds.

Who said punctures? Of course, such things do happen even in these days. Point one: When you have a puncture remember that the "darn thing" which made a hole in the tube has also made a hole in the cover—and that it may still be responsing in the cover—it often is, so get it out before it "repeats the dose."

VALUE OF VULCANISATION.

And in these days of automobile enlightenment be sure that you have all your type and tube repairs property vulcanised. The large majority of the better-class garages—and, to their great credit many quite small ones—have the Harvey Frost apparatus which does such work properly—so that you can genuinely forget you ever had the trouble.

You can even buy small apparatus for doing minor vulcanising yourself, and I have found several of these sets quite satisfactory.

And once in six months it is worth while having all the tyres off, having the rims cleaned of rust and re-namelled, all cuts filled and the tubes replaced in covers the inside of which have been thoroughly dressed with French chalk.

For a given set of tyres to give the longest service, change over front and back after, say, 6,000 miles. By studying the wear of the front tyres, you can see whether the steering has got out of alignment.

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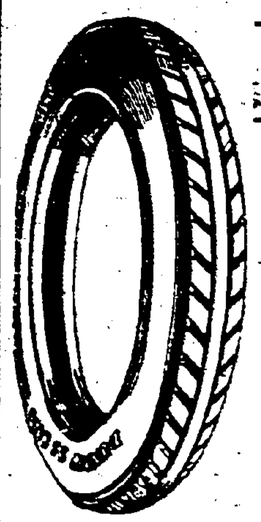

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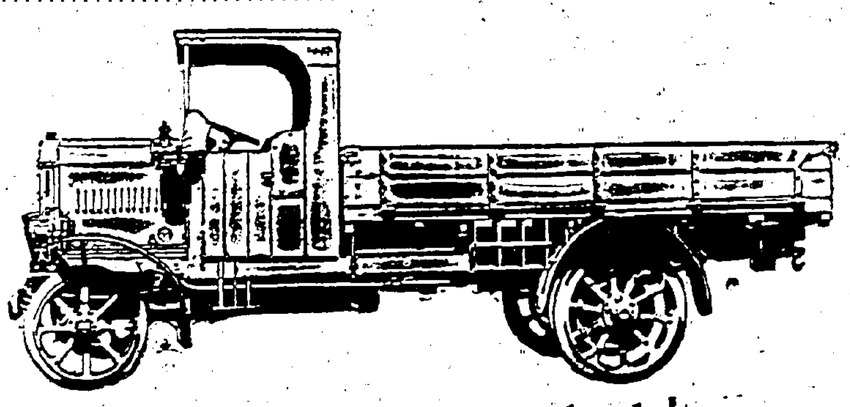

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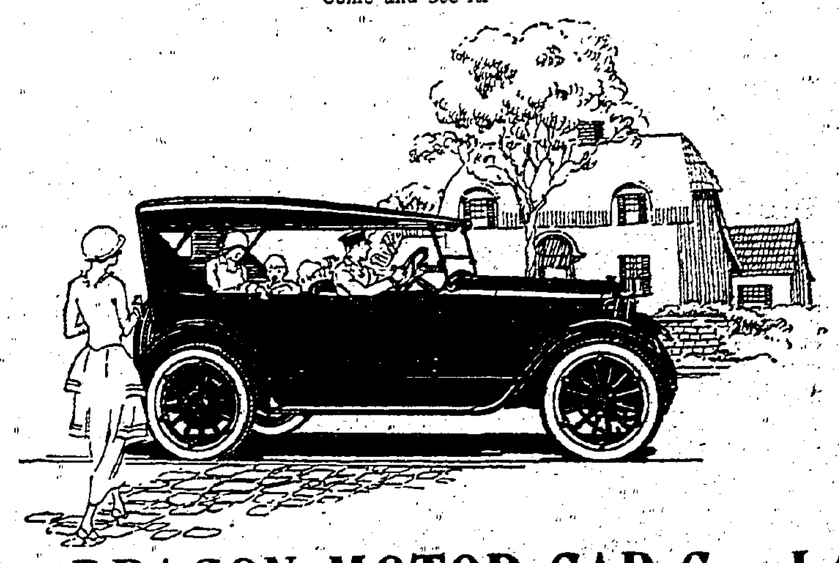

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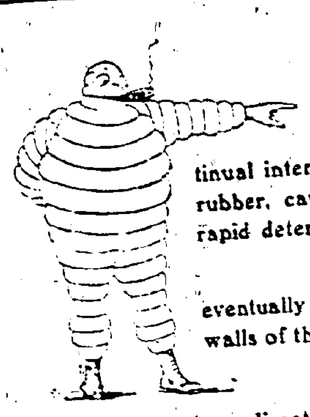

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Most cars in Hongkong run on under inflated tyres with the above disastrous results.

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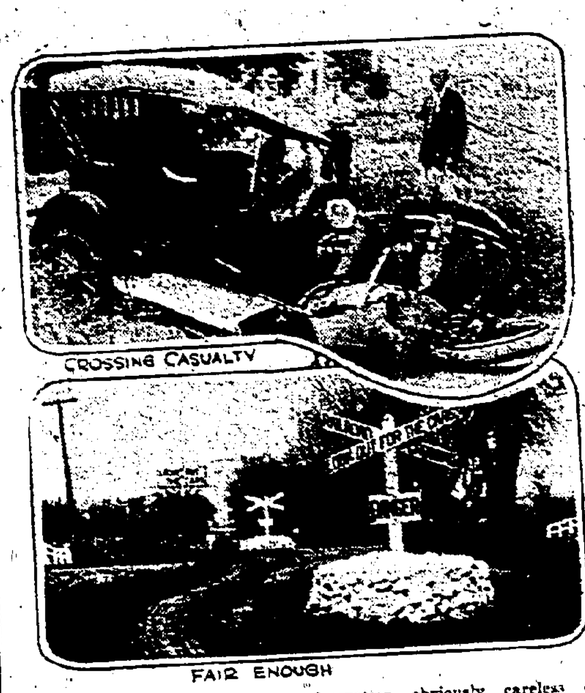

CROSSING CASUALTY

FAIR ENOUGH

CHICAGO — Ninety-seven per-cent of the nation's automobilists use reasonable care in approaching railway grade crossings, according to Richard E. Kropf, supreme regent of the Royal Arcanum, who cited figures compiled by one of the great railway systems in an address on safety here.

"Grade crossings annually exact a ghastly toll of motorists, yet only a small part of the total number using the crossings are careless or reckless," said Mr. Kropf, who as head of the safety movement of the Royal Arcanum is preaching caution to the members of the 1300 councils of that order in the United States and Canada. "Careful checking of selected crossings during June, July and August of last year, when traffic is always heaviest, found only 3 per-cent of all the motorists under observation obviously careless or reckless.

"In thirteen states, the careless 3 percent numbered 7,566 car drivers who by their failure to obey signals or slow down, not only jeopardized their own lives, but the lives of all the occupants of their cars. Speeding over crossings was the chief fault found by the inspectors. Railroad companies have done their part in providing proper markings and in signalling the approach of trains in advance. In practically every grade crossing fatality, it is the motorist who is to blame. Most of them might be avoided."

The Royal Arcanum, numbering 125,000 members, has taken a definite stand in the movement to conserve life through the prevention of accidents in all walks of life. "This is a public as well as a fraternal duty," the supreme regent stated.

LONGEVITY AND LUBRICATION.

"Making the Car Last Longer."

Although the modern car is not a delicate organism, as were its predecessors of really only very few years ago, it will still respond handsomely to reasonable care. Nothing is more foolish than to "tinker" continually and unnecessarily with a car that is behaving as well as possible. Too many owners make the mistake of thinking that to get the best out of their cars they must always be "tuning up" or doing something to them.

As a matter of fact, superfluous "tinkering" is probably responsible for half the roadside troubles that are encountered. The other half is due to neglect!

IMPORTANCE OF LUBRICATION.

Of the care that the average car requires in the garage about 90 per cent. may be resolved into terms of grease. Look after all the working parts, keep them well but not excessively lubricated, and trouble at the roadside apart from tyre troubles, will be unknown.

Think of the cars on the roads with binding brakes; in the majority of cases this trouble is traceable not to faulty adjustment but to lack of lubricant in the brake-operating mechanism, so that when a misguided owner thinks he has released his brakes he has really done nothing but relax them.

PARTS THAT ARE NEGLECTED.

Transmission details are often awkward to get at, and so they get neglected. It is largely the fault of the manufacturer or his designer for incorporating on his car parts that require attention in positions where it cannot readily be given to them.

Engines and gear-boxes are seldom overlooked, but back axles are frequently starved, while the clutch withdrawal mechanism is the most abused part of the whole chassis. Why does not every manufacturer incorporate the clutch withdrawal device in the gearbox where it cannot escape lubrication? In cars that have unit construction for engine and gear-box the fault is overcome, but there is no reason why it should be present in the separate construction design.

THE CARE OF TYRES.

There is a more or less erroneous but fairly widespread idea that in summer time tyres need to be less inflated than in winter because the high temperature of both roads and atmosphere cause the air in the tube to expand, and so the tyres that may have been under-inflated at the start of a run soon acquire an adequate pressure for the loads they have to carry.

This is true in very hot weather, but it should be remembered that the friction between the tyres and the road is enormously increased by inadequate inflation of the former, in addition to a similar increase in internal friction in the tyre itself. Too hard tyres are neither efficient nor comfortable, but the other extreme must be avoided.

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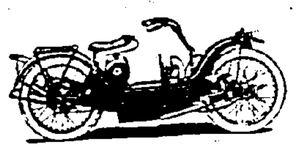

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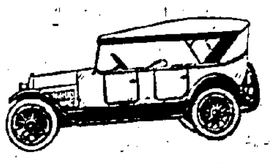

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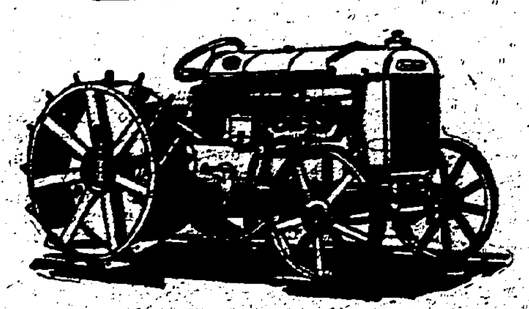

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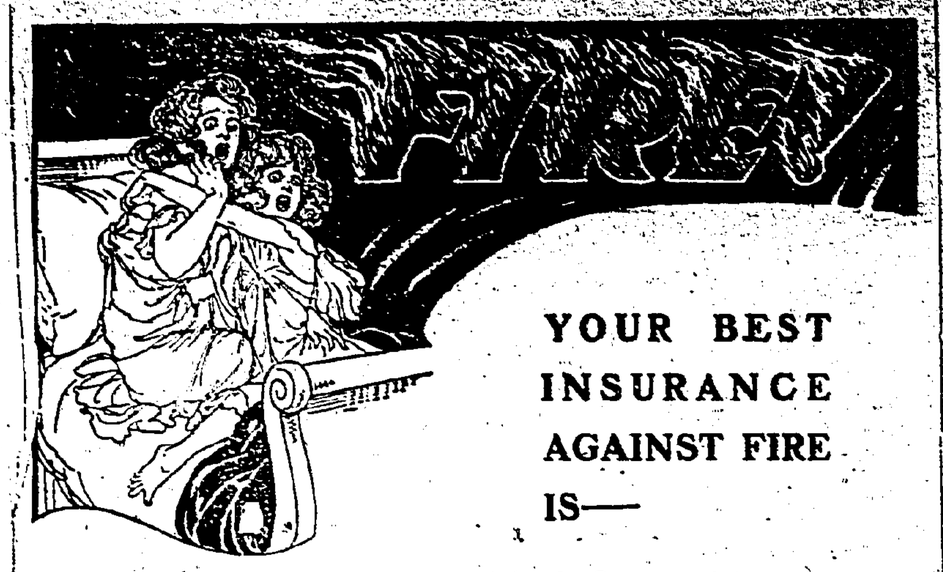

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RADIO NOTES AND NEWS.

The System of Plate Tuning.

The problem of designing a tuning system which will efficiently and conveniently cover a very wide range of wave-lengths is one which has always exercised the minds of those interested in wireless. Variometers of various types, tapped inductances, variable condensers, are all in use and all have their adherents. At the same time all have their disadvantages, writes E. J. Wyborn in *Popular Wireless*. Variometer tuning is generally conceded to be the most efficient, but a good variometer is somewhat expensive, takes up a good deal of space, and covers a rather limited wave-length range. The range can be increased, of course, by the use of series loading coils, but the tuning range with each coil then becomes relatively smaller the higher the wave-length. Tapped inductances involve two switches, for coarse and fine tuning respectively, and either dead end losses or complicated dead-end switches. For convering a very wide wave-length range, plug-in coils with variable condensers are very convenient, but if the tuning is to be kept sharp and the efficiency high, small condensers and consequently a large number of coils are essential.

The object of this article is to bring to the notice of readers of *Popular Wireless* another system of tuning which is very little known, but which has many advantages. Those who have had experience of A. C. power work will remember the disastrous consequences of short-circuiting the secondary winding of a power transformer. The effect is practically to destroy the inductance of the primary winding, with the result that a very large flow of current takes place. This effect can be employed to reduce the inductance of a tuning coil. The latter should take the form of a flat basket or honeycomb coil and a flat copper sheet of heavy gauge constitutes the short-circuited secondary. The copper sheet or "spade" is provided with a handle and is slid over the coil, thus reducing the inductance of the latter in proportion to the area of the coil covered by the spade — i.e. when the whole of the coil is covered, its inductance is reduced to a minimum.

The spade should be separated from the coil by a very thin sheet of ebonite or other insulating material. It is essential that the copper spade should be thick, 3/64 ins., being suitable otherwise the efficiency is impaired by the high resistance to the eddy currents set up in the metal, and the wave-length range is also reduced. At first sight, it would seem that the efficiency of this method would be rather low, but actual experience will show that this is not so.

SELF-CAPACITY UNDESIRABLE.

With a correctly designed spade, there is very little to choose between the efficiency of "spade" tuning and variometer tuning employing the same gauge wire. If a considerable wave-length range is to be covered with each coil, the latter must not be thick, and this involves the use of rather fine gauge wire on the higher wave-lengths. This is, of course, little disadvantage if reaction is employed. Basket coils are very suitable on the lower wave-lengths, whilst the higher bands may be reached by thin honeycomb coils. As little wax or shellac as possible should be used to hold the coils together, for it should be remembered that it is the inductance of the coil which is varied and self-capacity is undesirable, as it tends to flatten the tuning.

The system may be developed so as to enable a wider wave-length range to be covered by sliding the plate between two coils which are connected so that their mutual inductance increases the inductance of the whole. The effect of the plate is to reduce the inductance of each coil and also to remove the mutual inductance of the coils. In this way a wave-length range of 300 to 900 metres may be obtained with a single pair of coils, a range which compares favourably with that obtained by other methods.

The spade may be moved directly by means of a handle or it may be arranged at the end of a short radial rod so that it is moved by rotating a knob.

Regeneration is most convientlyobtained by capacity reaction, a method which has many advantages over the more usual method. The necessity for a large number of interchangeable reaction coils is obviated, as a very wide wave-length range may be covered by using a variable condenser in conjunction with a number of small fixed condensers which may be put in circuit one by one by means of a switch.

The principle may also be utilised for tuning high-frequency transformers of the two-basket coil type, the copper plate being slid over primary or secondary coil as desired.

The chief advantages of the system are its cheapness and convenience. With well-designed spades it is efficient, whilst remarkably sharp tuning is possible.

A well-known 2-valve broadcasting receiver employs this system, the aerial and tuned anode coils being contained together in a flat ebonite envelope, so that they are changed together. The remarkable results obtained with this particular receiver are sufficient testimony to the efficiency of "spade" tuning, which is recommended to those in search of a cheap, convenient and flexible tuning arrangement. In many cases it will be found advantageous to earth the plates, as this results in more stable working.

WIRE SYSTEM PRIVATE!

Proof that long distance communication by means of radio is not yet considered seriously by important telephone authorities is presented by the laying of cables for long distance line communication in Europe.

An era of long distance communication is just beginning on that continent, reports Mr. C. H. Minor, commercial representative of a large electrical manufacturer, who has just arrived in America. But this communication, Mr. Minor says, will be by wire. Radio isn't even considered.

"Engineers of the governments of Europe are beginning to hold meetings to consider ways and means of establishing long distance lines," declares Mr. Minor. "Much progress has been made in the last year. Efficient and easily available channels of spoken communication are to be realized."

Which shows that radio still is considered no factor so far as long distance communication is concerned.

Yet, only recently Mr. David Sarnoff directed a long distance conversation between San Francisco and the Iwaki radio station in Japan. In doing so, he talked with the San Francisco operator from a radio station at Columbia, Mo., making the entire talk, with only one relay, over a distance of 7000 miles.

Delivery of the question and answer by this method, covering a total of 14,000 miles, took only one minute and forty-five seconds. By direct communication, it would be a flash of a second.

Thus, while tests are being made with long distance radio communication, it is line conversation that is still being developed. Assured privacy of this kind is what makes this method still supreme.

When radio is assured of privacy, then will line communication lose its prestige.

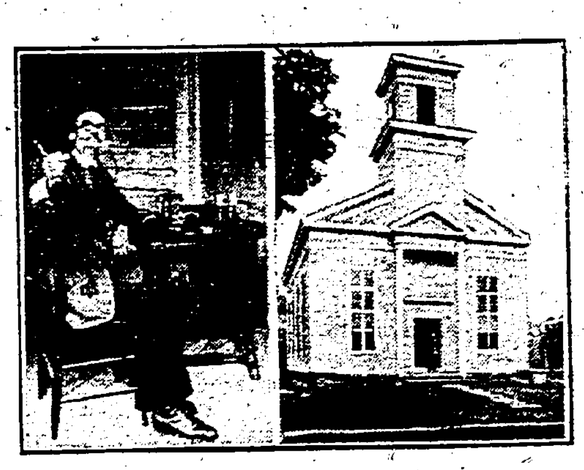
LOUD SPEAKERS.

"A loud speaker with a magnetic balance and a horn about two feet long is capable of very good reproduction of even very low frequencies," reports a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. "Aluminium or micarta diaphragms," he goes on, "apparently give the best results, while a wood horn or a horn made of some, dead material like hard rubber is least likely to introduce a strange quality."

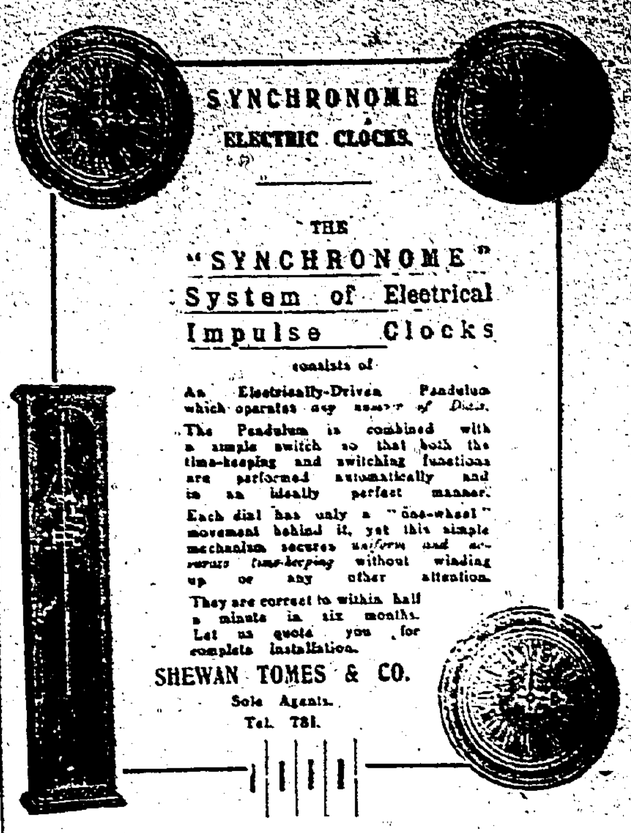
WIRED WIRELESS.

American radio fans interested in wired wireless may be able to obtain a recent publication on this subject prepared under the direction of the chief signal officer and the Bureau of Standards. It is called "Introduction to Line Radio Communication," and can be had for 10 cents from the superintendent of documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. They cater to wireless enthusiasts in the U. S. A.

TOWN ON TIME BY RADIO.



Medusa, New York, knows exactly when noon arrives, for Mr. C. J. Waldron has equipped the town church with a radio receiving set, by which he gets time signals from Arlington through WGY at Schenectady. Immediately on receiving the report, he rings the church bell, proclaiming the noon hour to the farmers of the district.



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DEATH OF NOTED FILIBUSTER.

General Lee Christmas, the famous American filbuster, who is said to have inspired Richard Harding Davis to write "Soldiers of Fortune," and who once led a revolution in Honduras, overturning the Government in two weeks, has died in New Orleans.

ONE-ARMED PAINIST.

From Budapest is reported the death at seventy-five, of Count Geza Zichy, the one-armed pianist, lyrical poet, dramatist, composer, and former "superintendent" of the Budapest Opera. As a boy of fifteen he lost his arm in a hunting accident. He had Liszt for teacher, and made such headway with his left hand that after a time he was able to give recitals in aid of charity throughout the world, and became famous.

WOMEN'S INTERESTS

HOW TO IMPROVE YOUR DANCING.

There are several ways in which you can bring your dancing to perfection, and it is much easier for a girl than for a man. The girl's part is to co-operate as fully as possible with her partner. Assuming she has a good partner—and it will not take her a moment to find out—she should concentrate on giving ever greater smoothness and suppleness to her movements.

But suppleness is the great thing, and by this I mean not only the faculty of responding to every indication of your partner, but the avoidance of all stiffness from head to toe, and the adoption of an absolutely natural pose.

Pick up your feet with energy. If you watch a really fine dancer you will notice a remarkable springiness of "life," especially for walking in reverse, and those familiar running movements so popular nowadays.

Remember also to keep your feet together for all the straightforward steps. They should almost touch in passing. Nothing is uglier or more amateurish than a straddle, quite apart from the fact that it will destroy your balance.

Where a girl should mainly seek improvement is bringing gracefulness of movement to its highest pitch. Assuming she knows the right steps, a nimble and fleet style will come to her by constant practice with the same partner.

Perhaps it is not a very sociable piece of advice but if you want to keep your dancing at a high level you must have a good partner.

Don't be put off by criticism. You can't see yourself dancing, so you may as well benefit by paying attention to the remarks of those who can. Another good tip which greatly assists the formation of an effective style is to spend a little of your dancing time in watching how badly or how well the others dance. It will stimulate your interest in the pastime, in addition to revealing one or two valuable little secrets in the manipulation of your steps.

LEAVING WELL ALONE.

Some women have an unhappy knack of spoiling their appearance by what they believe is a successful finishing touch. A cynic might say that the touch is finishing in quite another sense. The woman who cannot leave well alone in the sphere of dress is the one who must add a dab of orange some-where to the correct simplicity of a black gown, who will wear her chain of jade or cornelian with dresses that do not form a background to such decoration, and are put right out of character by the introduction of it.

SUPERFLUOUS JEWELLERY.

Exquisite taste, amounting almost to art, is required in the choosing and wearing of jewellery, veils, shawls and scarves and every type of accessory—for instance, halfway between the [illegible] and the absurd. Yet the woman who does not dress well, and perhaps vaguely guesses that she does not, will often pick up some such item at the last moment in the vain hope of putting things right. Just think, too, of the tentative and inept adornments that are often placed upon the coiffure at night! At least as much thought should be given to the choosing of a bandeau or a high comb as to the selection of a hat. A wrong choice in either case mars the whole appearance.

And, apart from the realm of dress, that finishing touch is often better left out. A woman loves the last word in other things than quarrels—reconciliations, for instance. A man rather likes to skim over the moment of acute feeling with a jest or with some quite irrelevant observation. Never mind if he does. "Life," as someone said in a play years ago, "has rough edges."

You can't round off its corners exactly as you might like to. But often just below the rough surface all is really well. So quiet your feminine restlessness, and leave well alone.

SEEN IN PARIS SHOPS.

Sets of tea mats in raffia and of service mats for dinner in plaited straw.

Alabaster rulers with a knob of topaz or amethyst.

Mother-of-pearl scent squirts, topped with gold, small enough to slip in the handbag with the powder puff and case of lip salve, are dainty little affairs that are having a good sale.

The white suede wristlet with tassel (hiding a lip stick) or pouch (to hold money or powder) is so popular that some girls must have quite a collection by now.

SPRING SUIT BLOUSES.

Since suits are undoubtedly to be the smartest thing for spring, fashion has turned out some charming blouses to wear with them.

They are of various types. The straight, rather loose plain blouse with tailored collar and cuffs while other models are of printed or embroidered or brocaded silks.

The downward tendency in millinery is plainly demonstrated by these photographs of the latest importations from Paris.

Notice the heroic effort to put something picturesque, dashing, expensive where of late we have been wearing the simple cloche.

This new movement, however, has been going on for a season or more. The millinery business isn't what it used to be. Women aren't buying as many hats nowadays. Style authorities have visions of women actually standardizing their headgear, as men have.

The graceful ostrich feather is depended upon to lure modern woman away from the persistent cloche.

The mere thought of such a situation has caused them many a sleepless night and urged them to desperation. This spring they are going to make a determined effort to discredit the cloche and bring back the picture hat.

So Paris has unpacked the ostrich feather and brought out all the trimmings that used to delight women and ensnare men, hoping to bring about the downfall of the cloche.

So it will be interesting to watch the little fight between the plain and the fancy bonnet and between a woman's love of comfort and her inclination toward fine feathers.

FOUNTAINS AND STATUETTES.

Miniature fountains of porphyry, marble or glass, often no more than six inches in diameter, are the latest whim from French drawing-rooms. The motive power is electricity, and the jets of water freshen the atmosphere of the room, whether the water be the sort that runs under bridges, chosen as a home for some tiny and dignified gold fish, or whether the water is rose water, which will perfume the air discreetly, and float a water lily or a couple of camellias on its surface.

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Small statuettes for the house being offered in fine porcelain, but instead of pretty shepherdesses, animals are represented. There are little mice, white and grey, in hunched-over mousy attitudes, cats of many expressions, and a few tigers, not to speak of satyrs and fauns, which are, I suppose, to be referred to as animals, not as personages.

THE NEW PERFUMES.

Everyone is using perfume nowadays, and almost everyone is carrying a tiny perfume flask in her handbag. The jewellers have made flat little flasks with screw tops in a variety of geometrical designs, diamond shaped, rhomboid, and coffin shaped. These show enamelled edges and are often striped with bands of fine chasing. The new perfumes are more delicate than the heavy scents which prevailed during wartime. Almost every smart scent has a marked flavour of orange flowers, and this is mingled with more luscious fragrances, but always dominates them. There is some symbolism which makes the names emerald and jade exactly describe the two new scents, which have a distinctly fresh, green perfume, with an undertone of Oriental richness.

RINGS TO MATCH OUR FROCKS.

Quite the latest thing in the matter of rings is to wear few but to choose large ones. Thus the left hand will be adorned only with a large pearl, on the ring finger (above your wedding ring if you are married), while the right hand is adorned with a large ring which, worn upon the first finger, completely covers it from the knuckle to the next joint. This ring is chosen to match the colour of the gown, and every smart woman has a set of these large first finger rings of different designs and colours. Lapis lazuli matches the dark blue frocks, jade for the green, antique coral accompanies the redtrimmed frocks, or adds a welcome touch of colour with the black frocks, while gold stone or carved tortoiseshell is not despised as completing the ensemble of a brown frock or suit.

THE NEW VANITY BAGS.

The soft handbag seems to be on its way to oblivion, for the smartest handbags are those that have a rigid form. Very costly are the enamelled handbags which are square, round or oval. Then there are square or oval handbags of silk, smoothly stretched on a rigid frame. Moire is usually the favourite silk, and where the clasps are of cut steel there is sure to be a little cut steel motif of flowers or a monogram on the bag. Bead handbags are usually square and have a whalebone set inside to keep them firm.

Every self-respecting handbag for street wear is fitted with a place for the powder, a loop for carrying the rouge stick and the eyebrow pencil, besides having a conveniently large mirror on the inside of the flap. These trim, square, tailored handbags are very lean and they have no handle or loop, for the smart thing is to carry them tucked under the arm or flat in the hand.

THIS WEEK'S RECIPE.

Raspberry Sponge.

Prepare package of raspberry gelatine according to directions. When beginning to set beat with a beater until frothy. Add one cup heavy cream whipped until stiff. Fold in one cup candied cherries and one-half cup nutmeats and turn into a mold to chill and become firm. Serve with whipped cream slightly sweetened and flavoured with vanilla.

MARY PICKFORD.

Mary Pickford in "Dorothy Vernon of Haddon Hall."

FASHION NOTES.

Shoes for spring wear are showing more subdued colours and less intricate strappings and perforations than formerly.

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The newest separate skirts are of tan or grey with a woolly surface and frequently a border of checks or plaids about the hem.

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White collars and cuffs and detachable chemisettes are a practical note in the spring fashions because they enable one to get a number of effects with a very slight foundation.

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Some of the most luxurious corsets are made of flesh coloured chiffon over flesh coloured silk and they fasten on one side with a buckle.

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There are many things you can do with the decorative scarfs of this season. In many cases they form the only decoration allowed on the straight tube-like frocks.

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Changeable taffeta frocks in pastel shades having a certain frosty appearance are the very latest word in dance frocks.

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Very lacy negligees on the kimono type are shown for spring. Soft draperies and high colours are featured.

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Little tabs on the smart new blouses with pleated bosoms offer an opportunity for attractive monograms. Chinese letters are used effectively.

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Blue, of a particularly soft and flattering shade, is one of the most popular colours for spring in millinery as well as in frocks.

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Leather, particularly in bright tones, is used on the serges and jerseys that the smart flappers are wearing.

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Some of the new jackets for spring have loose, slightly flaring backs and bell-shaped sleeves.

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Flowers are seen blooming gayly on the latest spring millinery. Small flowers in conventional arrangements are the rule.

SHE DANCES CLEVERLY.

Do you swim? Do you engage in athletic dancing? If you don't—do! Miss Gary Ford, pictured here, does both, and she contends these exercises correct both portliness and scrawniness. Her dancing at Florida State College for Women is attracting wide attention.

SHIPPING NEWS

The following local shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day:

Vessels Arrived.

Vessel	Agents	From	Mooring.
Delagoa M.	N Y K	Shanghai	A 5
Kyokuto M.	Dodwell & Co.	Chinwantao	Wanchai
Senyo M.	Suzuke	Keelung	"
Penang M.	N Y K	Moji	Kow. Whf.
Takada	B I S N	Singapore	"
Pres. Madison	Ad. Line	Manila	"
Kiddopore	P & O	"	A 2
Tiresias	B & S	"	A 3
Glenfalloch	Seng Soon Hong	Singapore	Off Stone
Cochinchine	Kai Yu	Swatow	"
Malayan	Y K K	Sydney	"
Liangchow	B & S	Shanghai	B 12
Fenglin	Yuen Seng Fat	Saigon	West Point
Jose Fina	Grimble	"	O 17
Phranang	Cheong Fat	Swatow	O 42
Gorjistan	Nemazee	Saigon	B 31
Hydrangea	Chiu On	Swatow	Co's Whf.

Clearances.

Vessel	Agents	Where Bound	Departure. 15th March
Suisang	J M & Co.	Amoy	
Nairung	Nemazee	"	"
West Ison	Ad. Line	Iloilo	"
Victoria	Wing On	Sandakan	"
Ginyo M.	T K K	Moji	"
Legaspi	Botelho Bros	Shanghai	"
Chusan	B & S	"	"
Hwah Kun	Cheong Fat	Saigon	"
Achilles	B & S	Miike	"
Hosang	J M & Co.	Singapore	"
Penang M.	N Y K	"	"
Kinkiang	B & S	Chefoo	16th March
Hanoi	M M Cie	Fort Bayard	"
Amakusa M.	O S K	Swatow	"
Hok Canton	Hong On	Fort Bayard	"

Impending Departures.

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Vessel	Agents	Destination	Sailing Date
Kidderpore	P & O	Bombay	15th March
Kwangsang	J M Co.	Swatow	15th "
Leesang	J M Co.	Hoihow	15th "
Chili	M M	Marseilles	16th "
P. Madison	A C L	Victoria	17th "
Teiresias	B & S	Antwerp	17th "

Impending Arrivals.

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Vessel	Agents	From	Due Hongkong
Warina	P & O	Bangkok	16th March
Lyons M.	N Y K	Singapore	15th "
Matsumoto M.	N Y K	Singapore	15th "
Alcinous	B & S	Manila	15th "
Chili	M M	Shanghai	16th "
Machaon	B & S	Singapore	18th "

Consignees Diary.

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Vessel	Agents	Goods Stored	Free Storage Expires	Claims to be in by	Examination Date
Rakuyo M.	T K K	T K K	Mar. 12	Apr. 5	Mar. 12
Pres. Jackson	A L	Kowloon	Mar. 15	Apr. 5	Mar. 10
Hansa	C B & Co.	Kowloon	Mar. 12	Mar. 21	Mar. 11
P. Madison	A O L	Kowloon	Mar. 13	Apr. 10	Mar. 12
Amazone	M M	Kowloon	Mar. 17	Mar. 20	Mar. 15
Gerty	D & Co.	Kowloon	Mar. 18	Mar. 20	Mar. 18
Karroo	B L	Holt's	Mar. 19	Mar. 26	Tues. & Friday.
Tajima	N Y K	Kowloon	Mar. 20	Mar. 21	Tues. & Fri.

Steamers' Movements.

E. of Australia from Hongkong on the 22nd Feb arrived at Vancouver on the 12th March.

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

	STOCK EXCHANGE	SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION
BANKS.		
H.K. & S. Bank	b. 1145 sa. 1150	b. 1145
" (London)	a. 129	
Chartered Bank	a. £19½	a. £20
P. & O. Bank	b. £12½	b. £13
Bank of E. Asia	b. 97½	b. 99
Mercantile Banks A & B	a. £29	a. £28½
Mercantile Banks C	a. £12	
MARINE INSURANCE.		
Canton	b. 715	b. 715
North China	b. $140	a. 140
Union	b. 245	b. 26
Yangtsze	b. 27	b. 245
China Underwriters	s. 1½	
FIRE INSURANCES.		
China Fires	b. 145	b. 145
H.K. Fires	b. 355	b. 350
SHIPPING.		
Douglases	a. 58	a. 58
H.K. Steamboats	a. 43½	b. 41 s. 42½
Indos (Pref.)	b. 38½	
Indos Def. Lon/Reg.	a. 133½	a. 35
Indos Def. H.K. Reg.	a. 133½	a. 130
Shells	b. 91.6	a. 93/9
Farries	b. 85	a. 85
H.K. Tugs.	a. 3.55	a. 3½
REFINERIES.		
China Sugars	b. 282½ sa. 283	b. 280
Malabon	b. 50	b. 48½
MINING.		
Kailan	a. 68/	a. 68/-
Langkats Combined	s. 33	a. 33½
Raubs	a. 5	a. 4.80
Tronohs	b. 42/-	b. 40/-
Ural Caspians	a. 14/-	
Benguet Consldt	b. 1½ s. P. 2	
DOCKS WHARVES, GODOWNS &c.		
H.K. Wharves	b. 165 sa. 167½	b. 168
K. Docks	b. sa. 155 s. 157	a. 154
Shanghai Docks	a. 96	b. 95½
New Engineerings	b. 5½ s. 6	b. 5½ sa. 6
Hongkew Wharves	b. x. d. 185	
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.		
H.K. Hotels	b. cum all 27	sa. cum all 27 new Prem. a. 8
H.K. Lands	b. 119 sa. 199½/9¾	s. 120 sa. 119/9½
Humphreys Estate	a. 24	sa. 24
H.K. Realty	a. 2½	b. 2.60
Princes Bldg.	b. 150	a. 150
H.K. Territories	a. 1½	
COTTON MILLS.		
Ewo Cottons	sa. 11.90	sa. 12
Orientals	b. 5	a. 4.90
Shanghai Cottons Old	a. 66	a. 65
Shanghai Cottons New	a. 41	a. 46
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Cements	b. 34 cum rts. s. sa. 34½	sa. c. r. 34 new Prem. b. 7
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Dos A Wing (f.p.)	b. 10	b. 10
" (p.p.)	b. 2½	b. 2½
Electrics H.K. Old	s. 36 sa. 35½	a. 35½
Electrics Macao	b. 38	
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Hongkong Tramways	b. 28	b. sa. 28
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Peak Trams New	b. 3	b. 2½
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Lane Crawfords	sa. 18½	b. 18½ sa. 19
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Taxis	b. 4½	a. 4.80
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Mackintosh	a. 25	
Nanyang Tob.		b. 71

Hongkong, March 15, 1923.

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C. E. GOY, Manager.
Hongkong, 15th February 192

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Hongkong, 24th October, 1923.

THE FOREIGN OFFICE.

Premier's Dual Posts.

Only once before in its century and a half's history has the Foreign Office been presided over by the Prime Minister. Mr. MacDonald in thus following the solitary lead of Salisbury is breaking another of the customs of the most aristocratic of Government departments says the *Manchester Guardian*. For among our many Foreign Secretaries only Fox, Canning, Russell, and Palmerston have been neither actual nor prospective members of the House of Lords. The "F.O." throughout the nineteenth century, in spite of the march of democracy, remained largely exclusive and to a great extent aloof from the hurly-burly politics. Its methods, although they changed kept about them something of the casual, leisured air of the old days before the French Revolution. The "F.O." was "the last choice preserve of administration practised as a sport." In it, when Addington remarked that smoking was strictly prohibited in office hours, Clarendon replied:

"Oh, indeed Can I offer you a a cigar?" In it lived and died that famous cat which crept behind the libray shelves when one of the volumes of the "*Times*" was removed and whose skeleton (after the sanitary authorities had tackled the drains) was finally sent up to Lord John Russell in a red despatch-box.

In it was stationed that official part of whose duties consisted in dazzling with a mirror the lady who lived opposite and whose daughters had excited the admiration of some of the "F.O." clerks. The mother, according to Lord Meath, complained, and Palmerston forwarded her complaint to his subordinates with the comment, "Who are these ungallant clerks who cast reflections upon ladies?" From it went forth the King's messengers in their dark blue coats with scarlet collars and cuffs and gold lace piping, their grey trousers seamed with scarlet and their enamelled badge hung round the neck with a blue ribbon and bearing on it a silver greyhound. Before trains and telegraphs there was romance and danger in Europe for these gentlemen, one of whom (after narrowly escaping being shot) begged to be excused "wearing that d——d uniform." But, apart from its humour and its poetry, the "F.O." must command the respect of the sober historian. For, in spite of oddities, it has always been one of the most conscientious and efficient of the great chancelleries of Europe.

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Breaker-In Of Savage Horses.

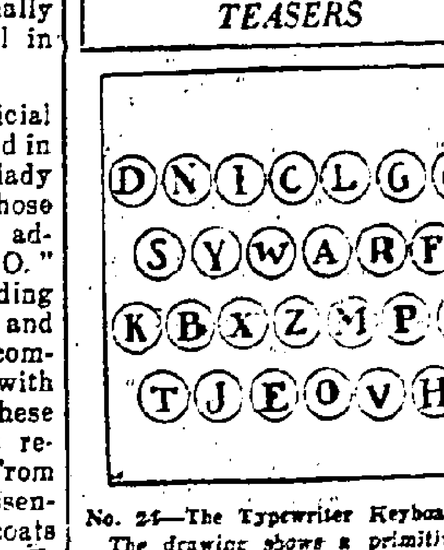
Lovers of a circus—and there are still many of them—are familiar with the name of Mr. Frederick Ginnett, whose death is announced at the age of 68. Mr. Ginnett'e circus, though hardly to be compared with those of such predecessors as Astley, Ducrow, Hengler, and Sanger, had long proved acceptable all over the country says a Home paper. For the last four years he had brought it to the Crystal Palace, and the Christmas season there had just ended when Mr. Ginnett died at his home close by. Mr. Ginnett was a clever horse-breaker, and during the war his services were used for young animals purchased for the Army. He offered to tame the most savage animals from the Army depots that could be sent to him, and achieved some remarkable results. He also provided for the use of Army horses several large tents to shelter them from the worst of the weather in France and elsewhere. Several members of his family were connected with him in his circus, and some appeared in it at the Crystal Palace.

SIGN OF THE TIMES.

The Downing Street Barcicades.

The Downing-street barricades have fallen. One of the first administrative acts of the new Government was to order the removal of the stout wooden barriers in Downing-street and King Charles-street which have long been an eyesore. They were erected at the time when it was feared that Sinn Feiners would make raids on Government offices and other violence to Cabinet Ministers, but actually they have never been used, except on one or two occasions when unemployed processions have been disorderly. Their demolition most people will interpret as an act of common sense, but some minds will doubtless prefer to regard it as what the jargon of the day calls a "gesture." Even so, it is a friendly, open, and disarming gesture; no coup de theatre such as history has sometimes known when statesmen have deliberately sought by histrionic display to follow up the effects of a successful piece of policy.

TEASERS



No. 24—The Typewriter Keyboard

The drawing shows a primitive arrangement of a typewriter keyboard. There are seven letters on the first row; six on the second; seven on the third; six on the fourth.

Study the keyboard for one minute and a half. Every letter of the alphabet appears upon it. During those ninety seconds, try to memorize the arrangement of the keys. Then, lay the paper aside, and write down each row in its correct order. You will be surprised at the way the letters will puzzle you. Try this "teaser" on your friends. Keep your results and look for Monday's "check-up."

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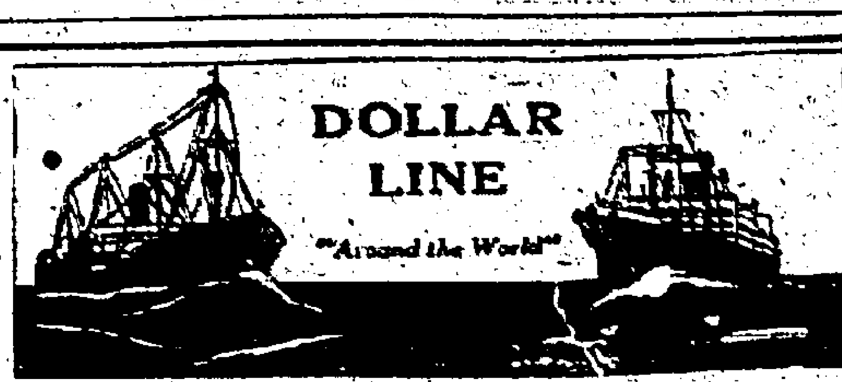

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KOREA MARU			Apr. 8.
SHINYO MARU	(from Shanghai)	22,000	Apr. 23.
SIBERIA MARU		20,000	May 5.

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"MERIONES" 31st Mar. Havre, London & Rotterdam
"TROILUS" 7th Apr. London, Rotterdam & Hamburg

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"ALCINOUS" 20th April. Genoa, M'lles, Liverpool & Glasgow

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"KARROO"

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All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the free storage period of one week.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

THE BANK LINE LTD.
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Hongkong, 14th. March 1924.

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The Steamship

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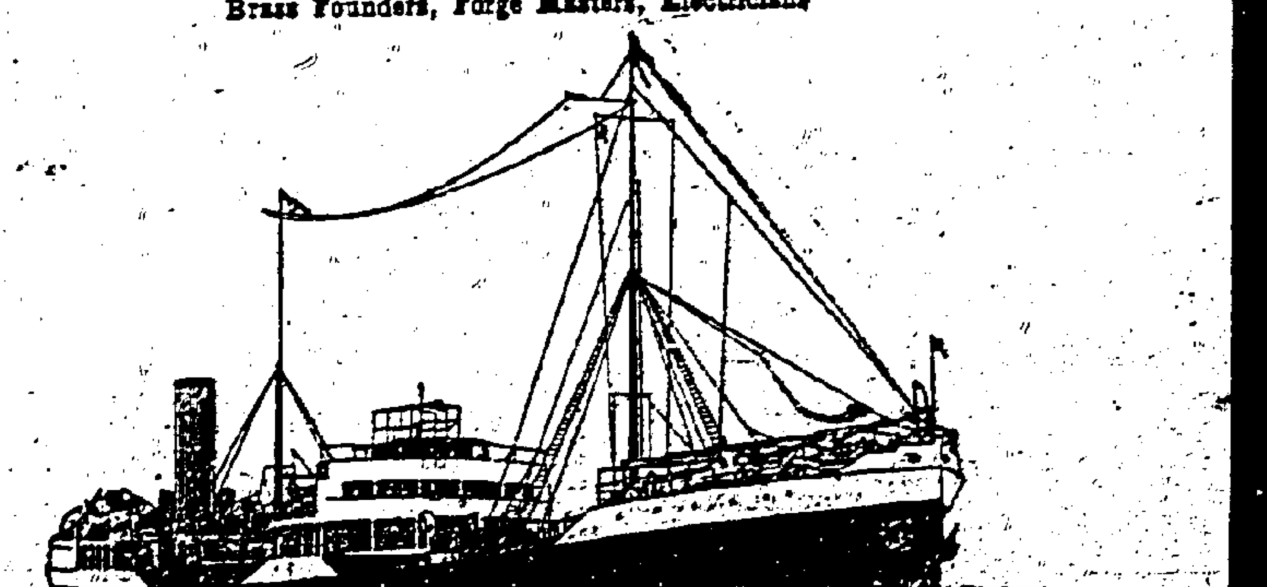

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PERIM	7,648	20th Mar.	S'pore, Penang & Bombay
NALDERA	15,993	22 Mar. noon	B'bay, M'les, L'don, A'werp
SICILIA	6,813	28th Mar.	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
JEYPORE	5,318	3rd Apr.	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
KHYBER	9,014	5th Apr.	M'les, London & Antwerp
NELLORE	6,853	11th Apr.	M'les, London & Antwerp
LAHORE	5,252	11th Apr.	Singapore & Bombay
PADUA	5,907	12th Apr.	S'pore, Penang & Bombay
CHINA	7,952	19th Apr.	M'les, London & Antwerp
SOUDAN	6,696	26th Apr.	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

TAKADA	6,949	18 Mar. 1.30 p.m	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TORILLA	5,205	4th Apr.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TALMA	10,000	14th Apr.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

ARAFURA	6,000	2nd Apr.	Manila, S'kan, Townsville, B'bane, Sydney & Melbourne.
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KILYAN	9,118	22nd Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TALMA	10,000	23rd Mar.	Moji & Kobe
JAPAN	6,052	28th Mar.	Moji & Kobe
KASHMIR	8,953	4th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
SOUDAN	6,696	4th Apr.	Shanghai
ST. ALBANS	4,500	5th Apr.	Moji & Kobe

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GLENGARRY	17th Apr.	London, Rotterdam	& H'burg
GLENAMOY	4th May.	GLENOGLE	22nd Apr.
GLENAPP	15th May.	Genoa, L'don, R'dam	& H'burg

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CHILI	—	—	16th Mar.
PORTHOS	—	—	30th Mar.
AMAZONE	—	—	13th April
ANGKOR	21st Feb.	24th Mar	27th April
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KAGA MARU ... ... Thursday, 3rd Apr. at 11 a.m.
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MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, &c.
HAKUSAN MARU ... ... Wednesday, 19th Mar. at 11 a.m.
KITANO MARU ... ... Wednesday, 26th Mar.

HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.
MATSUYE MARU... ... ... Saturday, 5th Apr.

LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES & VALENCIA.
DELAGOA MARU ... ... Saturday, 15th March.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, &c.
TANGO MARU ... ... Wednesday, 19th Mar. at 11 a.m.
YOSHINO MARU ... ... Wednesday, 16th Apr.

NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.
LISBON MARU ... ... Saturday, 22nd Mar.

BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.
KANAGAWA MARU... ... ... Tuesday, 8th May.

BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.
PENANG MARU ... ... Saturday, 15th Mar.
TAMBA MARU ... ... Saturday, 22nd Mar

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
TOKUSHIMA MARU ... ... Sunday, 23rd Mar.
AWA MARU ... ... Monday, 31st Mar.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
AKI MARU ... ... Friday, 11th Apr.

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STRAITS & Calcutta.....	Hosang	Sat.	15th Mar. at 3 p.m.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Leesang	Sun.	16th Mar. at 10 a.m.
TIENTSIN.....	Cheongshing	Tues.	18th Mar. at noon.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Chaksang	Tues.	18th Mar. at 10 a.m.
TTaO via S'tow & S'hai	Kwongsang	Wed.	19th Mar. at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta.....	Namsang	Thurs.	20th Mar. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Taksang	Fri.	21st Mar. at 7 a.m.
MANILA	Suisang	Sat.	22nd Mar. at 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Wingsang	Sun.	23rd Mar. at 8 a.m.
SANDAKAN	Mausang	Sun	23rd Mar. at 9 a.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Loksang	Tues	25th Mar. at 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Tungshing	Sun	30th Mar. at 7 a.m.
KOBE.....	Kutsang	Thurs.	10th Apr. at 4 p.m.

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Haifoong ...	Ellis Walker.....	FRI., 21st Mar. at 1 p.m.
Haiching ...	A. H. Stewart ...	TUES., 25th Mar. at 1 p.m.

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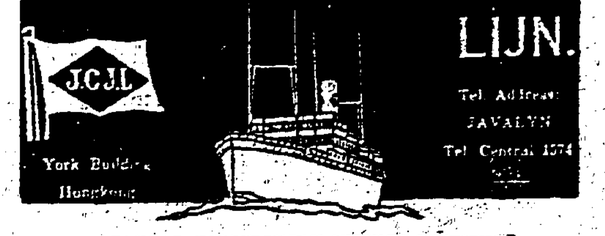

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JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

Steamers	From	Expected on or about	Will leave on or about	For
Tjikini	Java	In port	15th Mar.	Japan
Tjilatjap	J. & B'ka	17th Mar.	—	—
Tjipanas	J. & B'ka	17th Mar.	—	Saigon
Sawah Loento	Bangkok	17th Mar.	23rd Mar.	Honkay
Tjisondari	Batavia	19th Mar.	23rd Mar.	S'hai & Dalny
Tjibodas	Shanghai	20th Mar.	22nd Mar.	Batavia
Tjisalak	M., B'Papan	27th Mar.	29th Mar.	Japan
Tjikembang	N. China	—	2th Mar.	Batavia
Tjiliwong	M., B'Papan	30th Mar.	2nd Apr.	Shanghai

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Consignees of Cargo must produce an Import Permit signed be the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the godowns, where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on 18th March 1924 by the Company's Surveyors Messrs. Anderson and Ashe.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here after which they cannot be recognised. No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after 19th March 1924, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

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Hongkong, 12th March 1924.

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The Steamship

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having arrived from Seattle, via ports, on Mar. 5th. Consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., at Kowloon, & stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of Cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports & Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the godowns, where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on March 12th by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson and Ashe.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognised. No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after March 13th, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

United States Shipping Board Emergency Fleet Corporation Agents.
ADMIRAL ORIENTAL LINE.
4, Des Vœux Road.
Hongkong, March, 8th, 1924.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S.S. "AMAZONE"

Consignees of Cargo from Marseilles &c.

In connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. Kowloon whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before noon to-day requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after the 17th instant at Noon will be subject to rent and lading charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 20th instant or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on Saturday the 15th instant at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

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E. RODENFUSER.
Acting Agent.

Hongkong 10th March 1924.

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INDIA'S STRIKES.

Very Few Successful.

Out of 41 strikes occurring in various industries in India during the last quarter of 1923 only five were successful, three partially successful, three indefinite and one was still in progress in Bengal when the year ended. Thus 29 were definite failures. Bombay, as usual, was the province chiefly affected, having 24 strikes, two of which were successful and two partially successful, the number of days lost being nearly 158,000. Although Bengal had only 11 strikes, the number of men involved was 20,000 or 50 per cent. more than the Bombay figures, and over 255,000 days were lost. Moreover, three strikes in Bengal were successful, one had an indefinite termination and one, as already noted, was in progress when the quarter ended. The industries chiefly concerned were the cotton and jute mills, the former giving 21 and the latter six strikes. There were three railway strikes, involving in all more than 9,000 men and the loss of over 100,000 days.

CHURCH NOTICES.

A Charge of one Dollar is made for Notices under this Heading.

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Queen's Rd. East, opposite Royal Hospital, Wanchai, Sunday 16th, March, 1924. 10.15 a.m. Divine Service and Naval Garrison Church parade, Hymns and Chant, "Through all the changing Scenes," Jubilate, "Jesus, Lord and Master," "Was there ever Kindest Shepherd" and "A charge to keep." Subject: "The man whom God hated." 6 p.m. Hymns: "O for a thousand tongues," "Abide among us," "The God who reigns on high," "Jesus with Thy Church abide," "The radiant morn" and Vesper. Subject: "The failing Churches and the unfailing Church." Preacher: Rev. C. Clouston Porri, Hon. Chaplain to the Forces. 3 p.m. Sunday School with illustrated blackboard address. Friday, 5.45 p.m. Choir practice.

Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, Arsenal Street, Sunday 8.15 p.m. Chaplain's Meeting and Social Hour. Address by Chaplain. Monday 8 p.m. Study Circle, Wednes.: 8.30 p.m. Wesley Guild Literary Meeting.

First Church of Christ, Scientist. McDonnell Road, below Bowen Road Tram Station.—Sunday, 11.15 a.m. Wednesday, 5.45 p.m.

ANONYMOUS LETTERS.

Outbreak in Piedmontese Town.

The little town of Mondovi in Piedmont has been afflicted by a plague of anonymous letters, very much in the style of those that not long ago caused such tragedies in the French town of Tulle. The Mondovi letters, which have been been received by a number of prominent inhabitants, are vulgar and mischievous in tone, and contain accusations and insinuations calculated to destroy home happiness, to sow dissension between husband and wife, and to break off friendships and intended marriages. The chief victim has been a newly-married doctor, whose wife has received over a hundred letters accusing her husband of a lurid past and of a double life in the present.

All these assertions being entirely groundless, the doctor and his wife at first took very little notice of them until they found that other people were being annoyed in the same way, when they communicated with the police. After searching investigations, an unmarried schoolmistress, Carlotta Borgogno, has been arrested as the author of the letters.

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EXCHANGE.

(Opening Rate; closing Rate on Page 1.)

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T/T	2/4
Demand	2/4.1/16
30 d/s.	
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T/T. Shanghai	Nom.
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T/T. Marks	Nom.
T/T. Francs	10.85
Demand, Paris	—
BUYING.	
4 m/s. L/C.	2/4⅝
4 m/s. D/P.	2/5
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30 d/s. Sydney and Melbourne	2/5.3/16

30 d/s. San Francisco and New York	51½
4 m/s. Marks	Nom.
4 m/s. Francs	12.20
6 m/s. „	12.40
Demand, Germany.	
Demand, New York	50½
T/T. Bombay	—
Demand, Bombay	165
T/T. Calcutta	—
Demand, Calcutta	168
On Yokohama	120½
Demand, Manila	101
Demand, Singapore	99½
Demand, Batavia	138
On Haiphong	Nom.
On Saigon	—
On Bangkok	79½
Sovereign	8.32
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Bar Silver ready	33½
forward	33 5/16
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Hongkong, March 15 1924.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due.
Shanghai	Liangchow	15th Mar.
U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Wilson	16th „
Straits	Kidderpore	15th „
Shanghai	Ningpo	15th „
Europe via Negapatam (Papers only, London 14th Feb.)	Matsumoto M.	16th „
Shanghai	Yingchow	17th „
Australia & Manila	Changsha	17th „
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. McKinley	18th „
U.S.A., Japan, & Shanghai	Pres. Adams	31st „

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date.
Hoihow & Haiphong	Loosang	Sun., 16 inst., 8.30 a.m
Foochow	Yeizan M.	Sun., 16 inst., 8.30 a.m
Bangkok	Dux	Sun., 16 inst., 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Amakusa M.	Sun., 16 inst., 9 a.m.
Saigon *Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Chili	Sun., 16 inst., Registration 9 a.m. Letters 8 a.m. (Due Marseilles 16th April.)
Japan, *Canada, *U.S.A., *C. & *S. America & *Europe via Victoria B.C.	Archilles	Sun., 16 inst., 9 a.m (Due Victoria B.C. 6th April.)
Shanghai Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & *Europe via Victoria B.C.	Pres. Madison	Parcels 15th 5 p.m. Mon., 17 inst., Registration 8 a.m. Letters 8.30 a.m. (Due Victoria B.C. 5th Mar.)
Hoihow & Bangkok	Chinhua	Mon., 17 inst., 10.30 a.m
*Straits & Calcutta	Takada	Tues., 17 inst. noon.
Straits, Suez & *London	Teiresias	Mon., 17 inst. 2.30 p.m. (Due London 21st April.)
Manila	Pres Wilson	Mon., 17 inst., 3.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Mon., 17 inst., 3.30 p.m.
Amoy	Kaying	Mon., 17 inst., 3.30 p.m.
Amoy	Wuhu	Mon., 17 inst., 5 p.m.
Shanghai	Liangchow	Mon., 17 inst., 5 p.m.
*Swatow & Bangkok	Kiangsu	Tues., 18 inst., 8.30 a.m
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Haihong	Tues., 18 inst., noon.
Swatow	Kwongsang	Tues., 18 inst., 5 p.m.
Shanghai	Foochow	Tues., 18 inst., 5 p.m.

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DOCTORING BLOOMS.

Japanese Recipes for Blossoms.

The use of medicines for flowers in Japan is a very old custom.

And so when a learned Frenchman announced recently that treatment with aspirin would revive wilting flowers, modern science took another step forward and found itself on the path trodden by the wise men in Japan for centuries.

The Japanese have their prescriptions for chrysanthemums at this season and that; they have other recipes for the lotus, for cherry blossoms, for the iris, and for many flowers unknown to the West.

These formulas are secrets passed from master to pupil, a bit at a time.

On which flower, and at what season, should one use peppermint? saltpetre? honey? sake? and how? Should the substance be sprinkled on the petal or injected in the stem? Should the stalk be burned or mashed, broken or cut, and what shape the slicing or incision made, with what knife or pair of scissors?

In other days men spent years learning the answers. There are schools of arrangement without end, each with its traditions and recipes: the student who has been with the master four years is told so much; another year, and further secrets are revealed. Thus year by year till the disciple in turn becomes a master and the last withheld lore is given to him.

Miss M. Tanaka give some prescriptions in the *New York Times*.

"Here is the formula for the chrysanthemum of late fall; each kind of chrysanthemum is treated in a different way," she says. "For these, you must dissolve saltpetre in hot water. Let it cool before you put the flowers in. Then you make the arrangement, and after that is all done put a peppermint in the vase.

"Every flower is given

SPECIAL TREATMENT.

according to different schools. The peony withers easily; you must boil the end of the stalk after you have crushed it for an inch or so; then let it stand for a day in cold water before making the design.

"The snowball should be put first in hot and then in cold water and let stand three or four hours in the shade. The azalea needs lukewarm water. Some of them need salt water, such as the narcissus and the camelia.

"Others are partial to sugar, like the lily; you should burn the end of its stalk and put it in sugared water. There are chrysanthemums which require the same treatment; burn the stalk and then put in cold, sweet water for three hours before you handle them. Measure the sugar by bulk; one-tenth the bulk of the water.

"The lotus must be cut in the early morning. It is put in a pint of water to which sake has been added—one-tenth sake. Let this boil, then put the flower in cold water. When honey is called for, it must be mixed with warm water. The morning-glory has to be dipped first in boiling water and then in cold. The begonia is handled in a very different way; the ends of the stems must be wrapped in peppermint leaves. They are taken off when the flowers are arranged.

"There are ways to keep buds opening. The plum, for instance, is treated with honey, white honey, which is boiled and allowed to cool. Then the buds are painted with it, and they stay just as they were when picked."

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